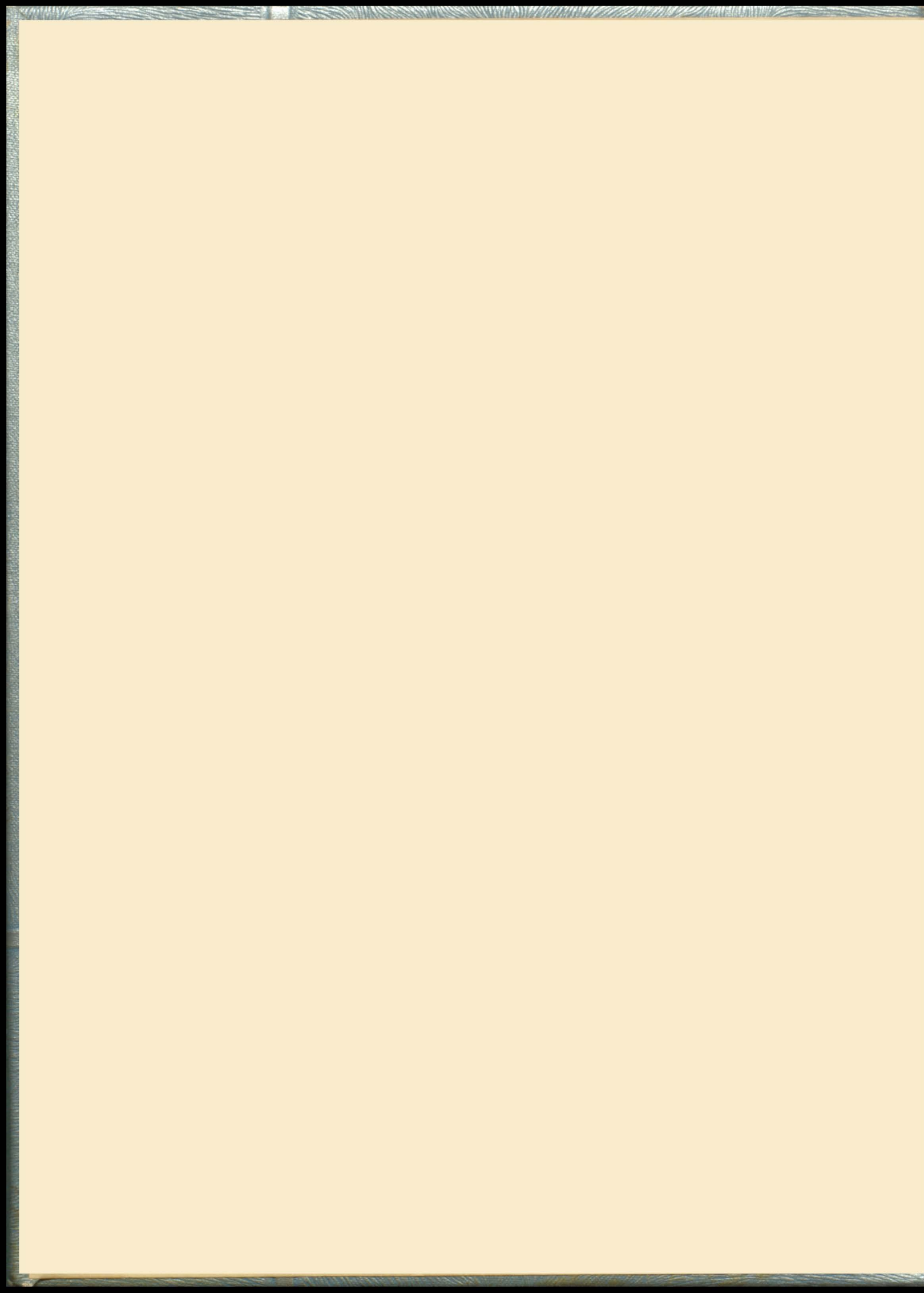
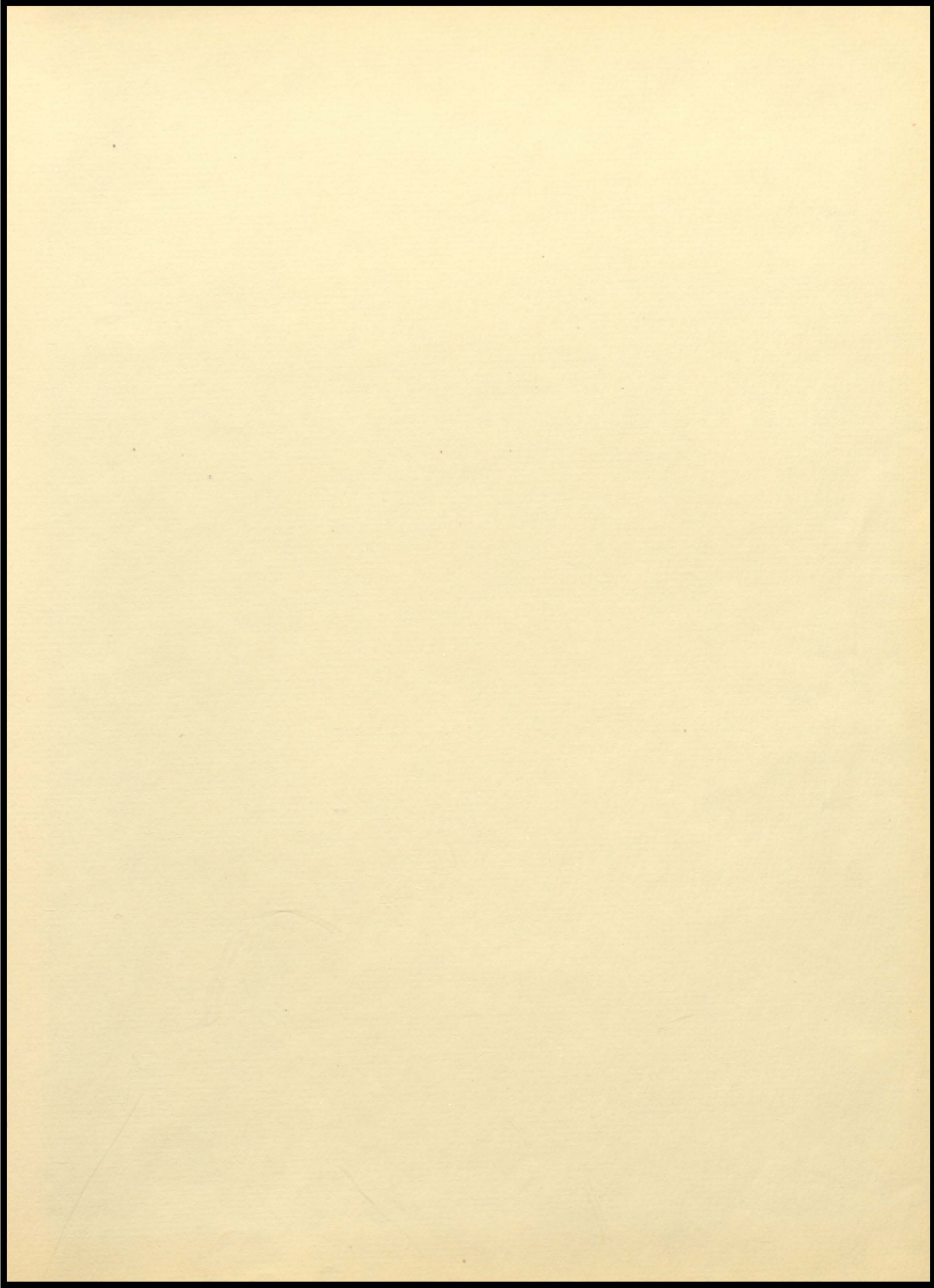


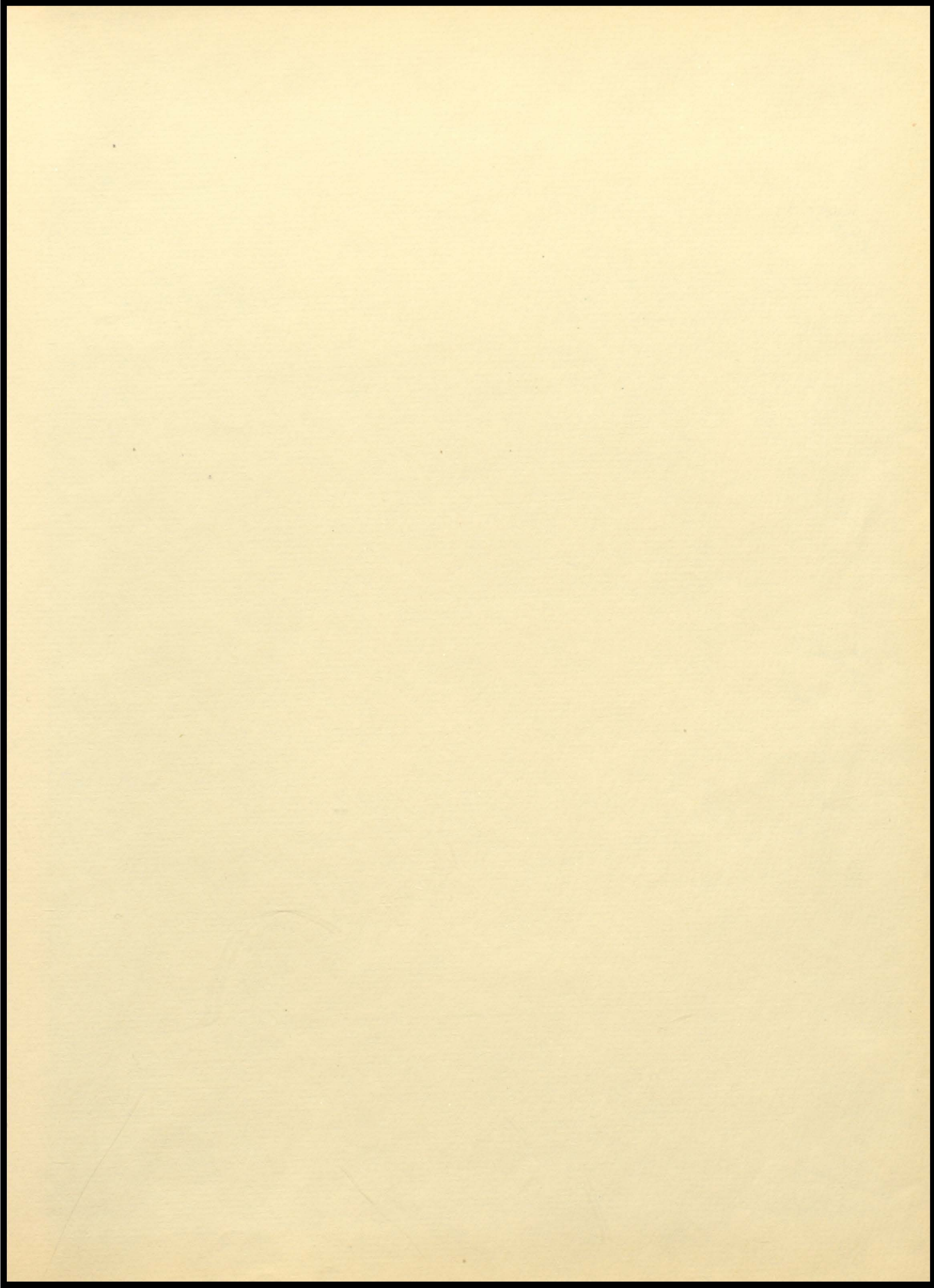
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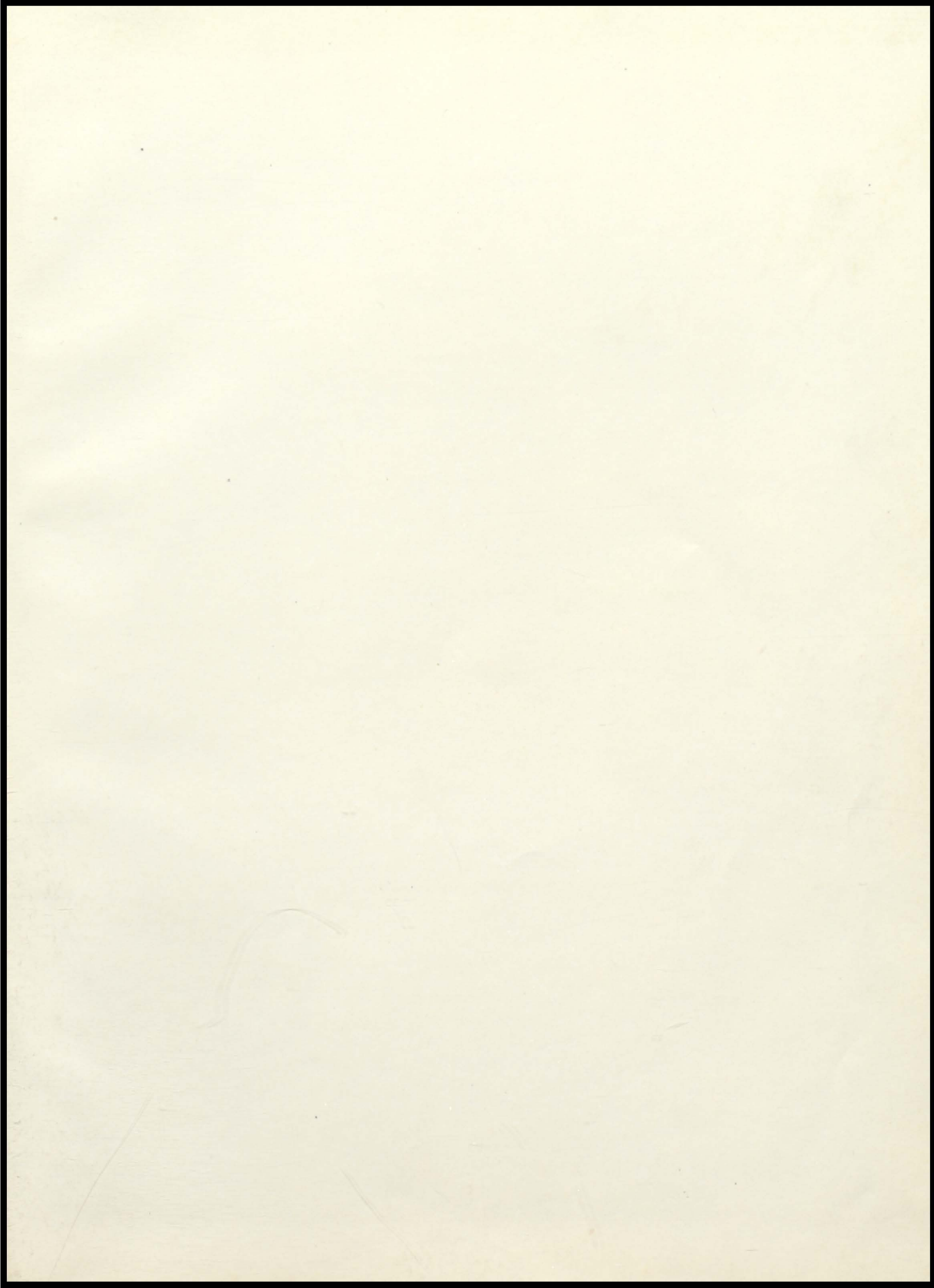


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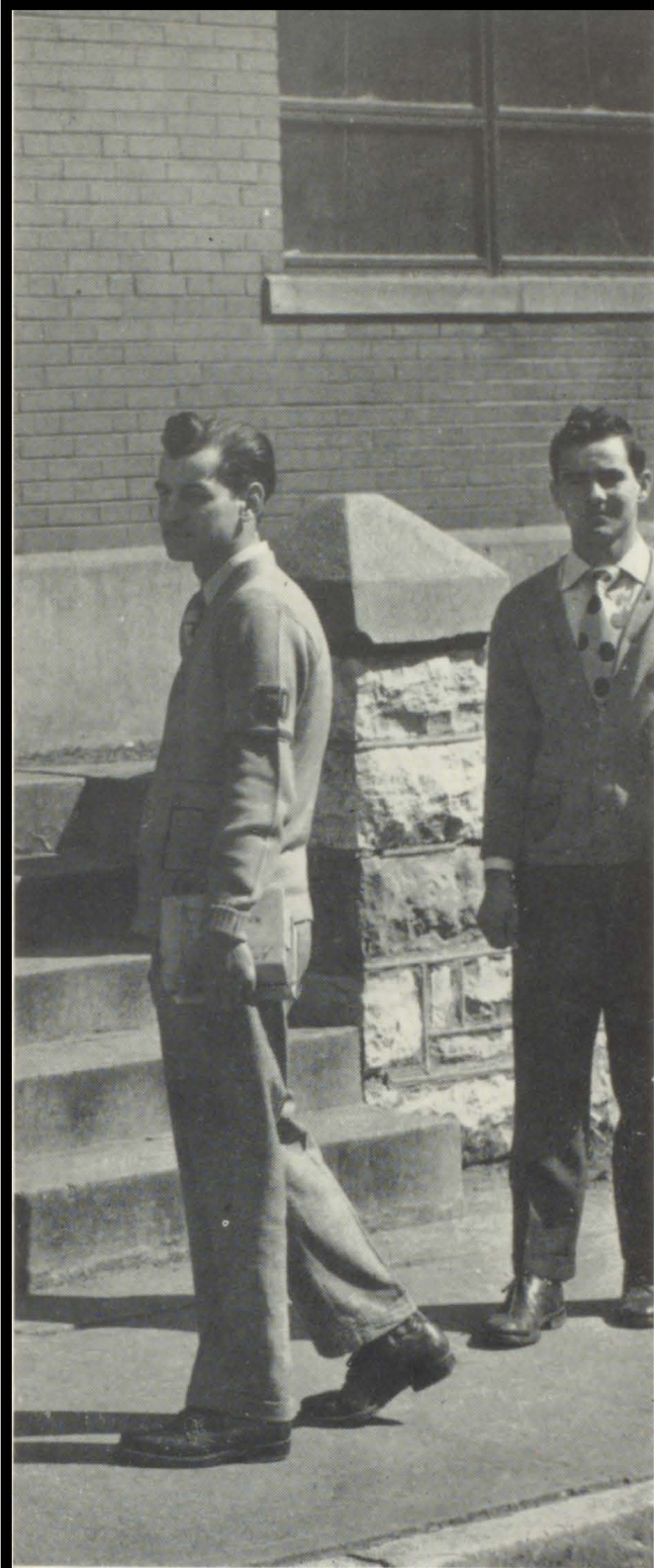


Our Steps to Knowledge

CATHEDRAL HIGH SCHOOL BELLEVILLE, ILLINOIS

Foreword

We of Cathedral High are Crusaders, warriors of Christ. Valiantly we advance under the gleaming banner of Mary, our Queen and Mother. The Blessed Virgin is THE Crusader of the atomic age. To her and the work of Christ we are especially dedicated as members of the Sodality of the Immaculate Conception. As the Pilgrim Virgin, Our Lady of Fatima is rushing around the world in her crusade, a crusade for souls. She seeks prayer and sacrifice to hold back the omnipotent arm of God from destroying the world. We must follow her as true Crusaders and do all to fulfill her wishes.



In Cathedral High School, the Year

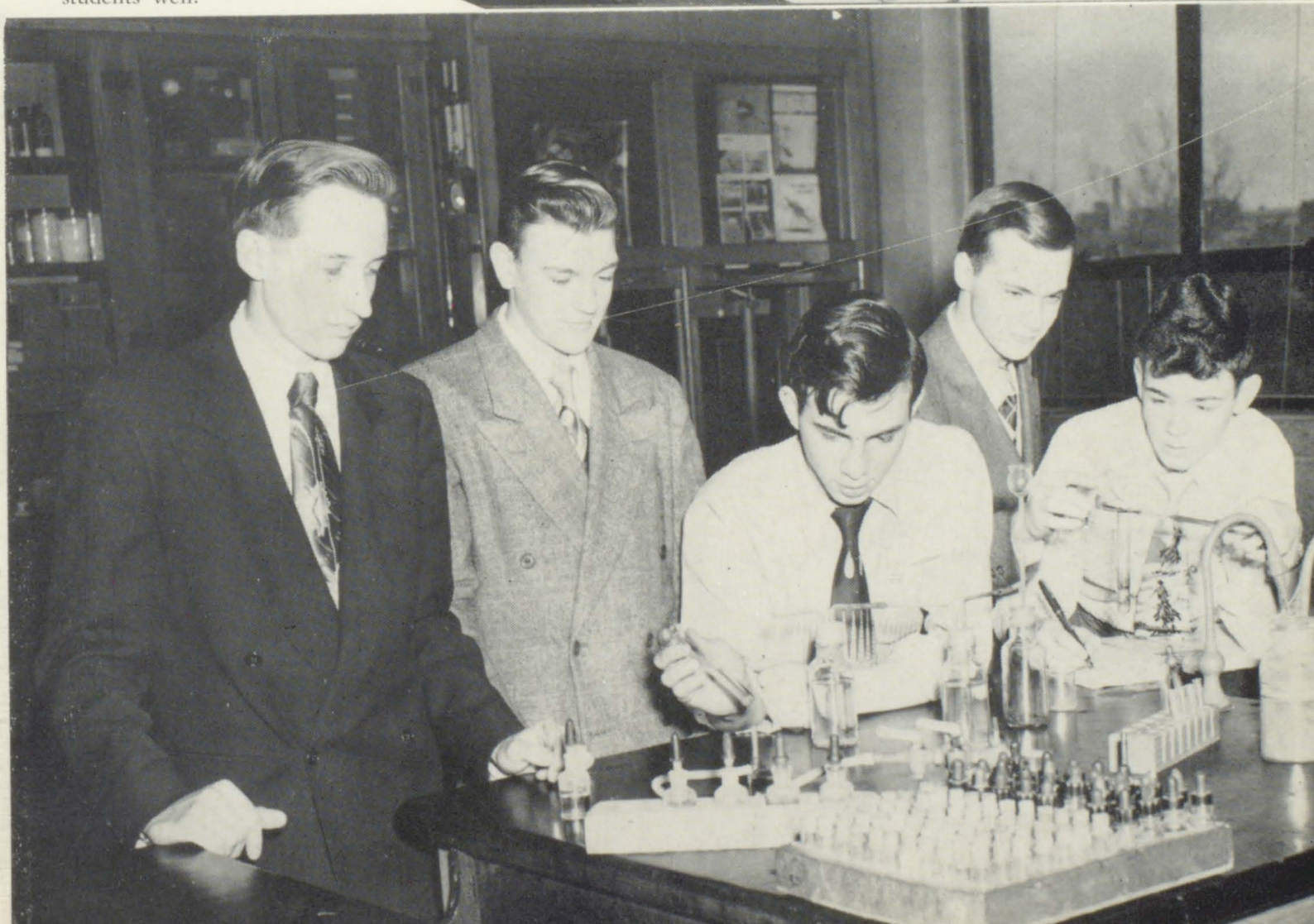
Our school has furnished us with excellent facilities for study and learning. Commercial courses equip us for life in the world of business. Scientific studies prepare us for the professions and industry. Competent instructors teach these lessons with the proper religious perspective of life. We can truly be proud of the academic criteria of our school.



1950 . . .



Our well equipped library, modern chemistry lab and commercial department serve the students well.



. . . we finished four years of fun and

In addition to scholastic progress, we derive from our school sound religious ethics by which to lead good lives for the glory of God. We are especially consecrated to Mary by our reception into the Sodality. All our fun and social activities are clean and well rounded. Religion and life are one, or neither is anything.



learning . . .

As freshmen we were received into the Sodality and consecrated to Mary.

Father McCarty preached our senior retreat and Major Lamb told us the story of Lipa.



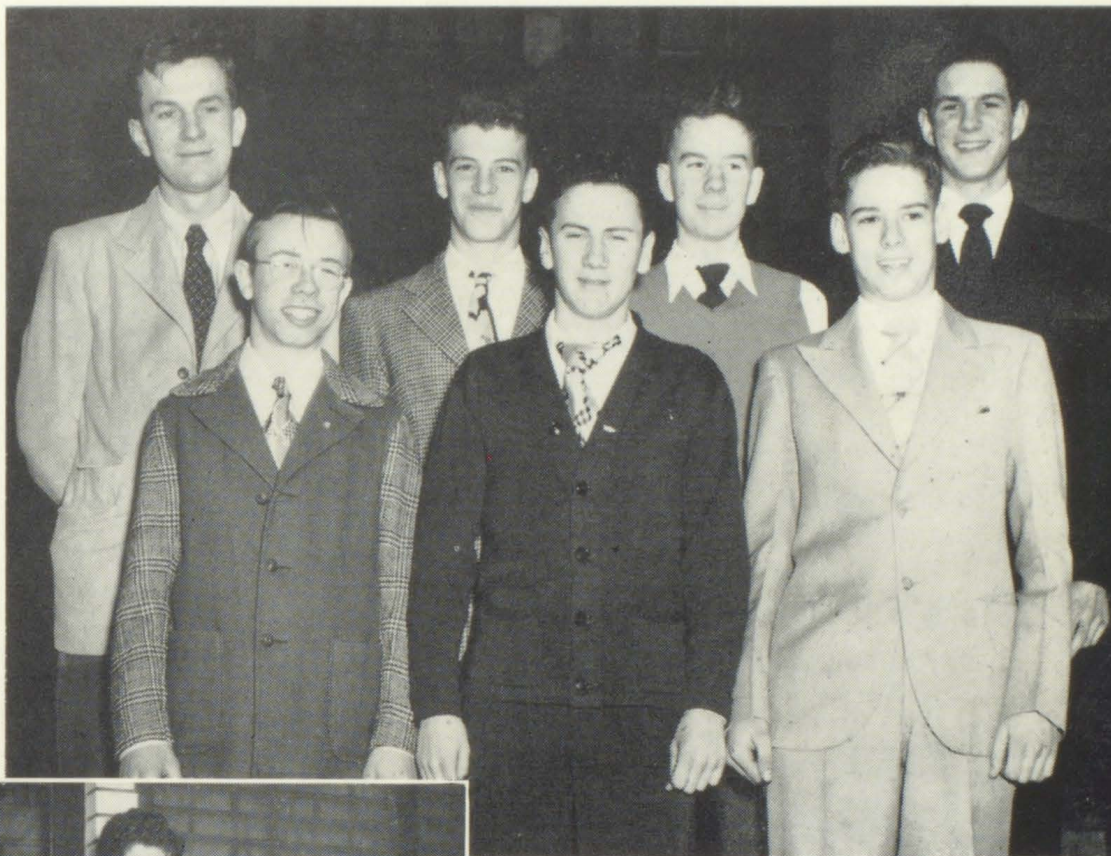


. . . with religion welding all in one

With Larry Kosar as prefect, the Central Committee has completed a year devoted to the spiritual guidance of the students. Other members of the committee were: John Higginson, Marian chairman; Richard Gundlach, Catholic action chairman; Gerard Geppert, mission chairman; Charles Oelrich, parish representative; Joe Wuller, eucharistic chairman; James Battaglia, secretary.

Chosen at the close of their junior year by popular vote of the student body, these men were in charge of the general sodality meeting ordinarily held on the Thursday before each First Friday of the month. Rev. Louis Trawalter, S.M., sodality chaplain, gave the committee effective assistance in sponsoring various activities such as the Father Chaminade radio skit. The renewal of the Sodality Consecration brought the year to a most successful close.

HOMEROOM PREFECTS



PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

Our Central Committee, through the homeroom prefects, reached all the students and kept all in contact with their pastors through the parish representatives.





The Centennial Band and Chorus

The Crusaders again came to the fore by joining with other Marianist schools in the St. Louis area in presenting, at Kiel Auditorium, January 29, a grand, combined band and choral concert. A three hundred voice chorus and a one hundred piece orchestra filled the air with enchanting music. Within this renowned group Cathedral held a position of importance, bringing forth twenty-one musicians, thirty-



helped the Brothers commemorate . . .

six chorus members and four faculty members, three singing in the Brothers' choir while Professor Miller took his turn at the baton and piano.

Throughout the evening the spotlight was on the Society of Mary. The occasion for celebration was the triple centennial of the founding of the order in America, the death of Father Chaminade and the founding of the University of Dayton.

To martial air we marched

It is difficult for anyone but a band member to fully appreciate the association of one's self with good music. The band is grateful to Professor Miller and the school administration for providing us with such an opportunity to assist in the formation of a cultural background.

The band is definitely a social asset to the school for it has appeared numerous times in public and received favorable comment. It often participates in civic affairs by marching in the many annual and special parades.

The band also gives a concert every year on or near Mother's Day. This date was selected because it is the Mother's Club that provides most of the band's support.

Consisting of thirty-two members, the band devotes most of its time to marches, classical, and light classical music. It was found to be a willing and flexible aggregation that responded remarkably well to the able and talented direction of Professor B. L. Miller, K.S.G.





Larry Kosar

John Higginson

Paul Mertens

Roger Von Bokel

Jim Wellinghoff Bill Weier

Jim Blome

We planned our gatherings . . .

The Junior Belleville Catholic Youth Guild was again under the direction of its untiring leader, Rev. Urban Kuhl. The organization was composed of Cathedralites and Notre Dame girls. Social entertainment was provided throughout the entire year as a result of exact and timely planning of meetings, dances and discussions.



With Paul Fiedler chosen as king and Miss Gene Prosser as queen, the Twirp Chirp Dance, sponsored by the annual staff to help defray yearbook expenses, proved to be most successful. The dance, held at the K. C. Hall on November 25, was the first of its kind.



Able led by Rich Gundlach, president, and Larry Kosar, vice president, the lettermen's club sponsored numerous activities, thereby contributing to the social and sporting interests of the school. The never-to-be-forgotten football dance was but one of the many activities under the direction of this group.



... and aided our teams



"C"-men's night, a reunion of all Cathedral lettermen, was held the night of St. Mary's (Carlyle) basketball game. Approximately two hundred lettermen attended the annual affair sponsored by the lettermen's club.

Following a renewal of old acquaintances, a luncheon was served by the Mother's Club.



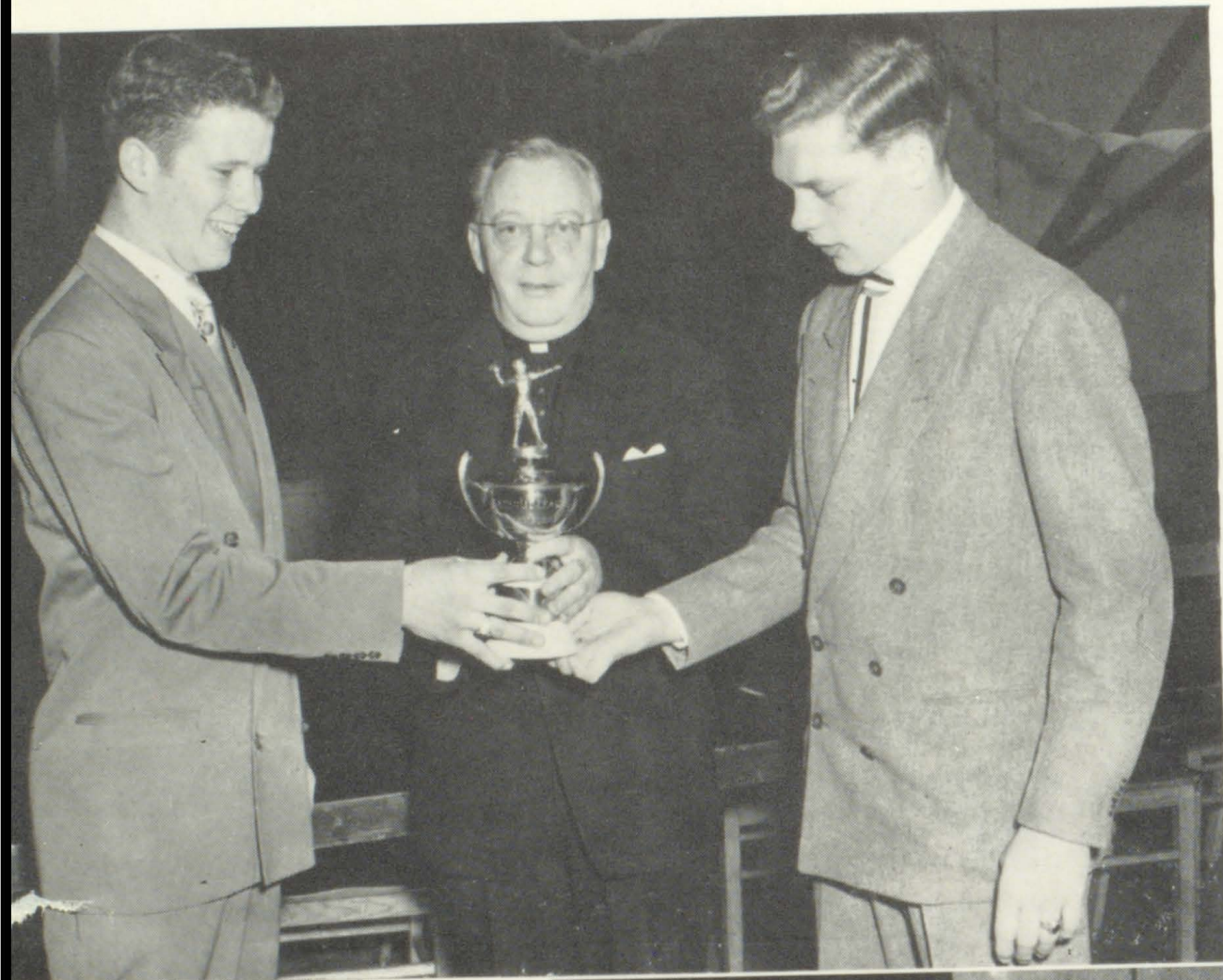
Queen Bobbie McClane reigns

With the football season officially closed, the annual football dance was the principal attraction scheduled to bring it to a grand finale. As the orchestra of Al Ross provided a glorious background of smooth, mellow music, Miss Bobbie McClane promenaded triumphantly up the aisle as the newly elected queen.

Preceding Queen McClane to the dais were maids of honor Miss Teresa Renner, escorted by Frank Geolat; Miss Mary Ann Amann, escorted by Paul Fiedler; and cheerleaders Miss Janet Loesche and Miss Mary Ann Lugge with their respective escorts Pat Gaul and John Walthes. Co-Captains Rich Gundlach and Larry Kosar had the privilege and honor of accompanying Her Majesty, Queen Bobbie, to her throne.



We banqueted aplenty



Msgr. Harbaugh presents football Catholic League trophy to Co-Captains Rich Gundlach and Larry Kosar.



Martin Duggan, of the St. Louis Globe, addresses the fathers and sons.

Our Mothers labor long into the night

To no other organization is due the credit of which the Mother's Club is worthy. There are no words to express or portray the great part this group has played in making our school year successful. Through cooperation with its able officers: Mrs. Rose Hoernis, president; Mrs. Albert Oelrich, vice-president; Mrs. Elmer Arey, secretary; Mrs. Cyril Bedel, treasurer; the club has done everything in its power to provide the school with additional conveniences.

The funds obtained by the club through the sponsorship of various activities are used solely for school expenses such as: the scholarship presented to an eighth grade student and

new library books. The new duplicating machine, recently presented to the Brothers, will be a gift long-remembered.

Of the various social functions of this group, those highlighting the year were: the Freshmen-Mother Breakfast, the Senior-Mother Breakfast, the Mother-Son Night and the Father-Son Banquet.

We are deeply grateful and extend our heartfelt thanks to the Mother's Club for making our prom a reality. We leave Cathedral with the thought in mind that what our mothers have done for us, was not done in vain but will live with us forever.



We keep a Date

AUGUST '49

- 22 Moonlight Swimming Party. Westhaven.
- 25 Football practice begins. Temp. 100°
- 27 Seniors hit hard. Bro. Francis stiff.
- 29 Gaul finally starts training.

SEPTEMBER

- 1 Seniors anxious for school to open.
- 2 First Friday. We see Notre Dame.
- 5 Bro. Michael honored with Seniors.
- 14 Harrison pays Hemmer locker fee.
- 16 Seniors win football pass drive.
- 24 Hemmer scores touchdown. Celebrate!
- 30 Ballard expects big year in bowling.

OCTOBER

- 4 Water-gun fight in English. Geolat?
- 9 Fiedler gets false tooth. Big smile.
- 16 Thouvvy has wreck. Thinking of Helen?
- 19 Reports. Bokel's drag brings in a 73.
- 26 Blome joins tricycle safety league.
- 29 Moose dance. Bokel gets new ring.
- 31 Hallowe'en! Those C. H. S. angels!

NOVEMBER

- 4 Township game. (No comment).
- 8 Chemistry lads hear Roy Schaefer.
- 14 Two seniors keep school photographs.
- 18 Benny Rice for "Possum King".
- 25 Twirp Dance. Fiedler and Prosser.
- 28 Bkkip. test. Class takes a day off.
- 30 Report cards. Population dwindles.

DECEMBER

- 3 Sorkach and Biekert in race. Cops win.
- 5-6-7 Retreat. Fr. McCarty presides.
- 13 Fire! Did a "Possum" cause it?
- 17 Bkkip. class warned of Feb. test.
- 21 Talent show. Gaul? Doesn't have any.
- 25 Christmas. Free day!
- 26 Joyous thoughts of snow. None comes.

JANUARY '50

- 3 School resumes. When do we get off?
- 9 Emge has new hangout. Cotton's broke.

- 18 Free day. Fleshren rests weary brain.
- 20 Determan signs "Knothead" contract.
- 24 Centennial concert. Geppert gets St. Mary's four-year scholarship.
- 25 Centennial tourney. C.H.S. defeated.

FEBRUARY

- 2 Ground Haug day. Remember Bro. Frank.
- 12 Lincoln's birthday. Sunday!
- 13 Brothers drain their "Pipe Line."
- 22 Ash Wednesday. Resolutions made.
- 24 F.B.I. pays us a friendly visit.
- 28 C.H.S. eliminated from regional.
- 28 Abegg and Hemmer in goat milk business.

MARCH

- 1 English grades go down some more.
- 9 Hemmer makes political speech.
- 13 Lettermen crowd Old Folks Home.
- 17 St. Pat's day. Gaul. Or Hemmer?
- 20 White Father gives talk, shows films.
- 23 Wellinghoff nominated for King. Higginson gives rough competition.

APRIL

- 1 Brothers get fooled. No school.
- 9 Easter. Break all resolutions!
- 12 Fleshren short \$60 in Bookkeeping.
- 18 Bro. Al shocks Physics class. Holding hands with electric circuit.
- 21 Editors put annual to bed.

MAY

- 3 Kirkland gets hot-foot. Sorkach?
- 8 Bokel tries squeeze play with car.
- 15 West polishes car. Heavy date.
- 22 "It Isn't Fair," algebra theme song.
- 26-29 Exams. Bedel finally decides to take home some books.

JUNE

- 2 Graduation at 8:00. Faculty rejoices at 9:00 over the old saying, "Teacher let the mules out."
- 4 Senior class party.
- 5 We begin to work.

Daily, daily, sing to Mary

With the opening of school many seniors climbed heavenward on the numerous steps leading to the choir loft and panted wearily on reaching their goal. However, it was worth the effort for the eight o'clock mass was given an added touch of beauty by continuing the two-year-old tradition of the high school choir. Organized during the previous school year and under the direction of Father Trawalter, Cathedral's chaplain, many of the present seniors gained helpful experience throughout the final semester.

Full, rich strains of male voices paid high tribute unto the Blessed Sacrament on the altar, as Professor Miller brought forth solemn organ music. The beautiful mass of the Blessed Virgin was sung by the student members, while the Gregorian Chants were handled by Prof. Miller. Following the example of the hand-picked choir members, many of the general student body joined in the singing of the renewal of the Sacrifice on Calvary.



We met to plan our paper

Composed of members of the entire student body, the paper staff contributed all material for publication. Taking in all fields of entertainment, school, work, and items of general interest, this group presented a paper that held the interest of all its readers.

Photography was handled by Paul Meister for both the paper and yearbook.



Joe Wuller, Editor-in-Chief, confers with his assistants.

The Crusader staff ranges from freshmen to seniors, who have initiative to work.



and put it out with pride

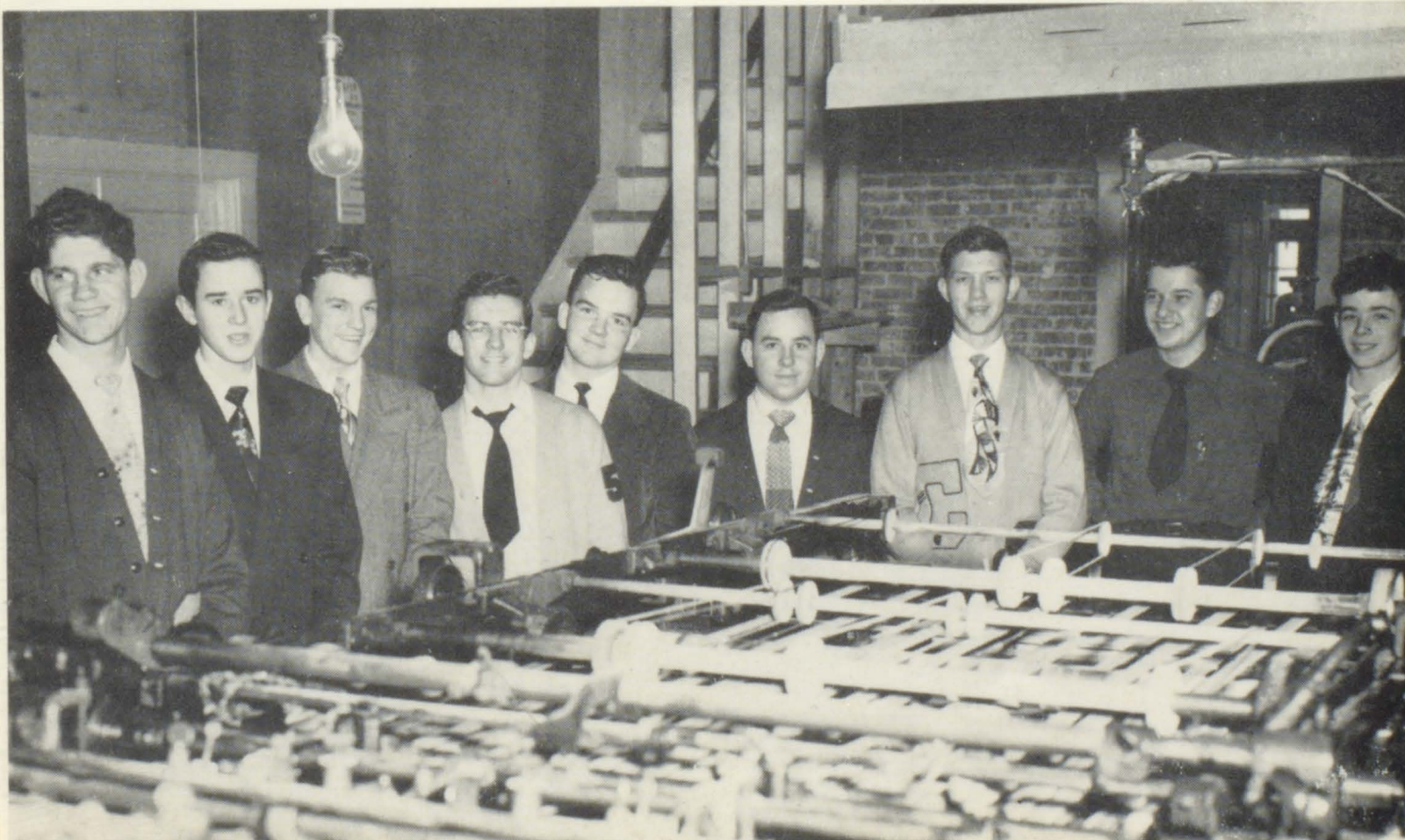
Because the paper staff was hampered by lack of financial support its operations were limited this year. In view of this fact it cannot be denied that they have done a creditable job of issuing and editing our school publication.

With Brother Michael Brangan acting as advisor, the editor, Joe Wuller, and his associate editors, Jim Blome, Jim Battaglia, and Chuck Oelrich, worked untiringly to make *The Crusader* a success.

Last year *The Crusader* was chosen as president of the Illinois State High School Press Association and at their annual convention, Oct. 9-11, demonstrated its ability in conducting the convention meetings and in its journalistic acumen.

Our paper is now thirteen years old and we are proud of its record.

Circulation manager, Paul Fiedler, and other staff members, looking over the presses.



We present our Best Seller

Cooperation is the keynote to success. Without cooperation nothing could be accomplished. This is the whole theme of our yearbook. By cooperating we hope to present a publication that is representative of the efforts of us all.

But another important item is leadership. This too is a necessary characteristic. With this thought in mind three positions were created in order that we may have this leadership. There is an editor-in-chief, Jerry Geppert, and his co-workers: Larry Kosar, social editor; and Rich Gundlach, sports editor.

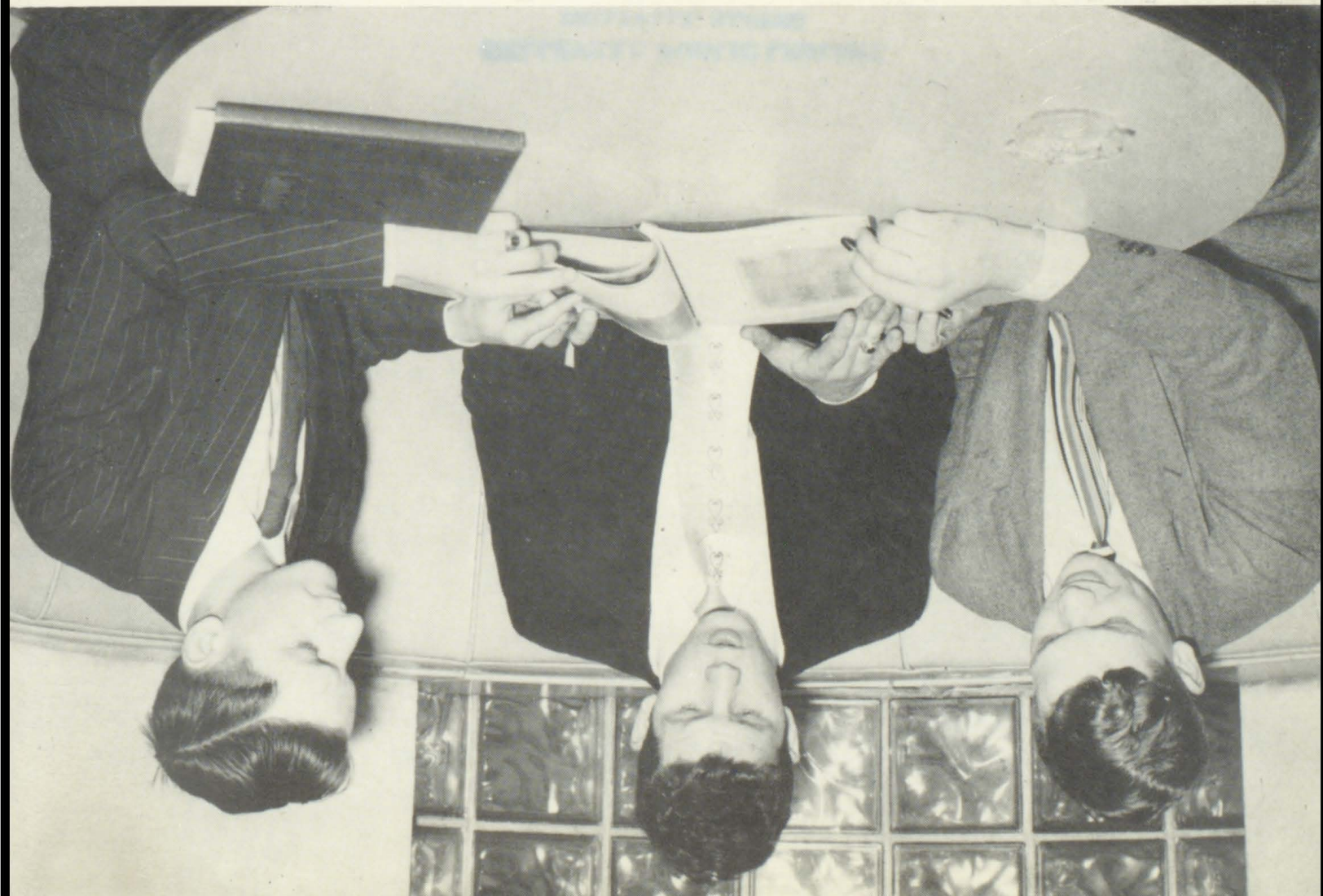
These three young men act as a clearing house for the ideas submitted to them for editing. The job that these three have is one of tre-

mendous dimensions for it embraces all phases of management connected with a yearbook.

They have to, first, construct a working layout to fit the needs of all requirements. Articles must then be assigned and with the theme of cooperation in mind, and they must promote teamwork among all concerned. Photography, an important part, highlights each page by at least one illustration.

Paul Meister is responsible for all pictures. P. Gaul, J. Blome, J. Hemmer, C. Oelrich, J. Battaglia and W. Brauer have worked hard to produce our book.

Our leaders have done a splendid job and deserve our heartiest congratulations.



The idea behind an annual yearbook is that the students do the work of producing it. They are responsible for all efforts except those of printing and binding. We have created the various offices and departments so as to distribute the task of its complex functions. This book is made with the idea of preserving memories for the whole student body. Brother Michael Brangan acts as advisor for the staff and we all benefit from his extensive experience in the field of journalism.



The business managers of the yearbook have a terrific job. A task is set before them of making financial arrangements that are necessary in producing an annual. Contracts have to be prepared for the printing and engraving of this book and then advertising must be sold, or money otherwise collected, to meet these obligations. Bill Moerchen and his workers deserve our congratulations for the grand job done.



Our Doc

Dr. R. C. Heiligenstein has just completed his twentieth year of devoted service to the athletes of Cathedral High. As in the past he has given his time and patience in doctoring the injured Crusaders of Cathedral.

"Doc" is a very active member of the Cathedral Parish and can often be seen attending weekday Masses. He takes great pride in his famed hunting dogs with which he has attained great honors as a rated sportsman.

Coaches and Captains . . .

Coaches

BROTHER FRANCIS HAUG
Varsity Basketball
Football Line Coach

BROTHER NORBERT GRASS
Varsity Baseball
'B' Team Basketball
'C' Team Football
Athletic Director

BROTHER ALPHONSE SCHERER
Head Football Coach



. . . train us to battle the foe

The athletic teams of Cathedral had able, experienced coaches. Brother Alphonse coached football; Brother Francis Haug—basketball; Brother Norbert Grass—baseball. All three men did fine jobs in training the various squads.

Bro. Alphonse, the best football mentor CHS ever had, again directed the team to another Catholic League Championship. Not enough credit can be paid Bro. Al for his brilliant success during his stay at Cathedral.

Bro. Francis Haug, who arrived this year from St. Louis, took over the coaching position of the basketball team and soon developed the young squad.

Bro. Norbert Grass, now in his fourth year of coaching baseball, promised and delivered another sparkling baseball team. Fast at catch-

ing on, the team soon showed true fighting spirit.

Four young men, exceptional in athletic ability and leadership, formed the nucleus of our competitive teams. Larry Kosar and Rich Gundlach served as co-captains of the football team; Chuck Oelrich and Larry Kosar led the basketball team; Abie Ballard captained the baseball team. Golf, a fast-growing sport here at Cathedral, was guided by Larry Kosar.

Combining religious, scholastic, and athletic ability, these men went out on the field giving real guidance to the teams.

In the past the success of all our teams has been due partly to the leadership shown by our captains. We feel that the success of this year's teams again has been due to the "never say die" spirit expressed by our captains.





We drilled for the Championship

Under cool and cloudy weather the Crusaders met St. Mary's on the Township field to open their 1949 football schedule. The victory went to St. Mary's with 14-6 margin. The Crusader line did some scoring in the De Andreis game as center Jerry Hemmer recovered a touchdown fumble and tackle Bill Biekert scor-

ed a safety. Jim Gedda added a TD to make the score 15-0. Meeting the Irish on their own field, Cathedral was evenly matched in weight with Central Catholic but the Pioneers outplayed CHS by a 20-0 victory. Slushing through the mud, the Crusaders won their league opener by defeating Chaminade, 7-0. The Crusaders



rolled up 13 first downs to Chaminade's 4.

Playing Dupo in a non-league tilt, Cathedral took a 34-7 beating as Frank Geolat scored the lone marker. Scoring four touchdowns in the first half of the game, CHS mauled Mercy 26-0 leaving the game to the reserves. Traveling to Alton for the most vital game of the season, Cathedral held Marquette to a scoreless tie and retained its bid for the league championship.

The Rotary Cup was at stake in the fifteenth

meeting of BTHS and CHS. Cathedral took to the field slightly outweighing Township. Belleville defeated Cathedral 28-0 but CHS outplayed them, picking up 10 first downs to the Maroons' 6. Needing wins in both of the two remaining league games, Cathedral called on Coyle and defeated them, 20-0. A tie or a victory was needed in the St. Joseph game to clinch the title. CHS won the championship by a 0-0 tie.

Non-league play

Opening the season's play, the Cathedral football squad met St. Mary's of St. Louis on a heavy field at the THS stadium. Both the football and the backs proved too slippery for the Crusaders, as they were downed, 26-6.

Bouncing back with a powerful display, C. H. S. smashed De Andreis, 15-0, picking up 20 first downs against 5 for the Wildcats. Linemen took an active part in the scoring, with center Jerry Hemmer recovering a fumble for a TD, and Bill Biekert, left tackle, adding a safety. Jim Gedda successfully crossed the goal line to bring in the remainder of the score.

Meeting the speedy Pioneers of East Side, bitter rivals for many years, the Crusaders tried everything to win but were unsuccessful in penetrating the Central line. The score was 20-0. In one of the roughest games of the

year the Dupo Tigers handed Cathedral another defeat.

Emerging without any injuries, the Crusader team began to get in top shape for the BTHS game. With the Rotary trophy at stake, Bro. Al put the Crusaders through the toughest drills for the most important game of the season. Both teams, having two legs on the trophy, made it even more important. When the final seconds ran off, the score was 28-0, in favor of Township.

Cathedral rolled up 10 first downs against the Maroon's six. The Township team gained 239 yards on scrimmage, while C. H. S. netted 135. Out of 10 attempted passes, the Crusaders completed 3, as the opponents had none for 5.



Catholic League Action

Cathedral opened its 1949 Catholic League football play by defeating Chaminade, 7-0, in the Marianist Centennial double-header in Walsh Stadium. The Crusaders followed up their first league win with a 26-0 verdict over Mercy.

One of the hardest fought games was a scoreless tie with Marquette. The Blue and Gold then won a 20-0 decision over Coyle. In the seasons finale, the Cathedralites clinched the league title with a 0-0 tie with St. Joseph's.



The Crusaders of Tomorrow

Twenty-four eager freshmen answered the call for freshman football and, at the end of the season, there remained twenty-four rough men on the team. Coach Brother Norbert Grass worked hard in developing his lads into a smooth-working outfit. Bill Hoernis and Jack Schulte were elected co-captains. Although the team was small and light, they had the fighting spirit a team needs to play its best.

Their season's record did not look too impressive, but they proved they had the willingness and the ability to learn. They played three tie games: Central Catholic, 6-6; St. Mary's, 7-7; and Belleville Township, 0-0. Their win was a 12-6 triumph over De Andreis. Losses were suffered at the hands of St. Louis U., 20-6; Collinsville, 12-0; Central Catholic, 18-6; and C.B.C., 20-6. As the scores indicate, no points were issued on a silver platter by the young Crusaders. The games were hard-fought and every touchdown was well-earned.

The freshman backfield included Bill Buss at the fullback position, Bill Novack in the right halfback slot, Bill Hoernis running from left half, and Jack Schulte calling the signals at quarterback. Another Bill, Bill Miller, was used frequently in any of the four backfield positions.

The small but spirited line consisted of Paul Birk and Jake Lippert at end, Jim Langford and Chuck Schobert at tackle, Gary Lanter and Jack Bingheim holding the guard positions, and Joe Nebgen plugging the hole at center.

Considerable action was seen by the substitutes: Les Appel, Joe Christ, Joe Coulson, Tom Forrest, Dick Gannon, Mike Harrison, Leonard Heidorn, Robert Wiltshire, S. Sizemore, Merlyn Bujnak, Dick Hall, and Tom Moll. Brother Grass feels that with the usual gain of weight and height, this team should bring further glory to future C.H.S. varsity grid teams.



Row 1: W. Hoernis, W. Miller, M. Bujnak, L. Heidorn, S. Sizemore, T. Forest.

Row 2: C. Schobert, J. Bingheim, G. Lanter, J. Coulson, J. Christ, J. Nebgen, T. Moll, W. Buss.

Row 3: W. Novack, J. Schulte, J. Langford, R. Hall, J. Lippert, L. Appel, P. Birk and Bro. Norbert Grass.



Our Spirited Cagers

CATHOLIC LEAGUE

1st Game			2nd Game	
CHS	Opp.		Opp.	CHS
37	61	Chaminade	57	33
37	57	St. Peter's	45	37
45	31	Coyle	43	51
44	39	Mercy	44	43
37	46	St. Joseph's	51	31
50	60	St. Francis	54	50

The Crusaders had trouble finding the winning road in basketball this year. Though lacking height and experience, the Blue and Gold played every game to win. Following a shaky start, the lads toppled Coyle and Mercy just before the Christmas recess.

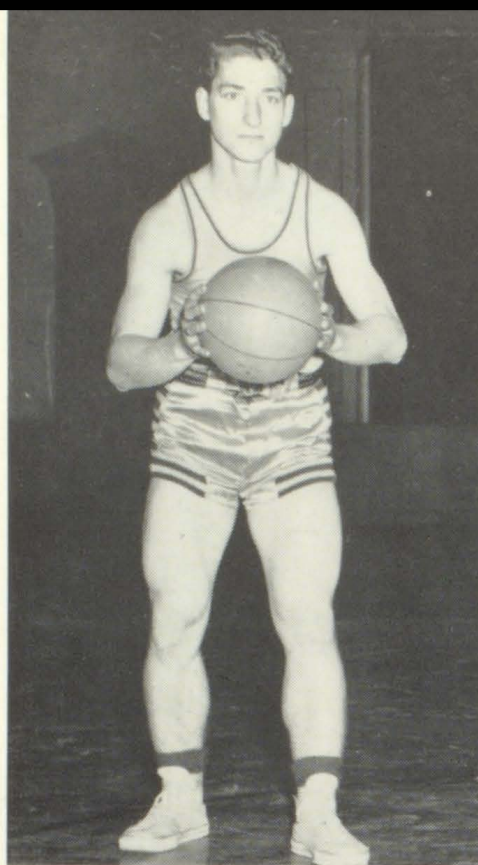
The team captured fifth place in Catholic League play after dropping close contests to Mercy, 44-43, and St. Francis, 54-50.

Only three lettermen were on the squad and two seniors. The squad drilled tirelessly in an endeavor to correct each player's faults, and ended the season playing a splendid game while defeating Coyle.

The Crusaders completed the season with a record of four wins and seventeen defeats.

Bro. Francis

Brother Francis Haug took over the duties of basketball mentor this season, succeeding Bro. Martin Mc Murtrey. Bro. Francis inherited a young inexperienced team and transformed it into a spirited, determined group. His keen knowledge of the hardwood sport and his pleasant personality forecasts many splendid C.H.S. teams in the coming seasons.



C. Oelrich



W. Siekmann

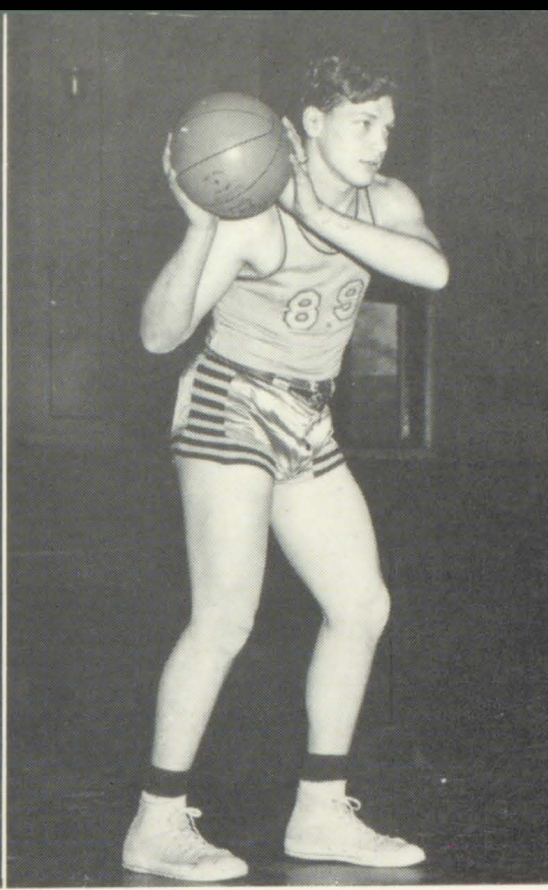
Drilling, driving, shooting

Two seniors, Larry Kosar and Chuck Oelrich, served as co-captains. Kosar played a regular guard position and Oelrich filled one of the guard posts. Bill Siekmann, a junior, ran in the other guard position. Bill tallied the highest number of points, 292, and set a new Cathedral single game scoring record with 27 markers in one engagement.

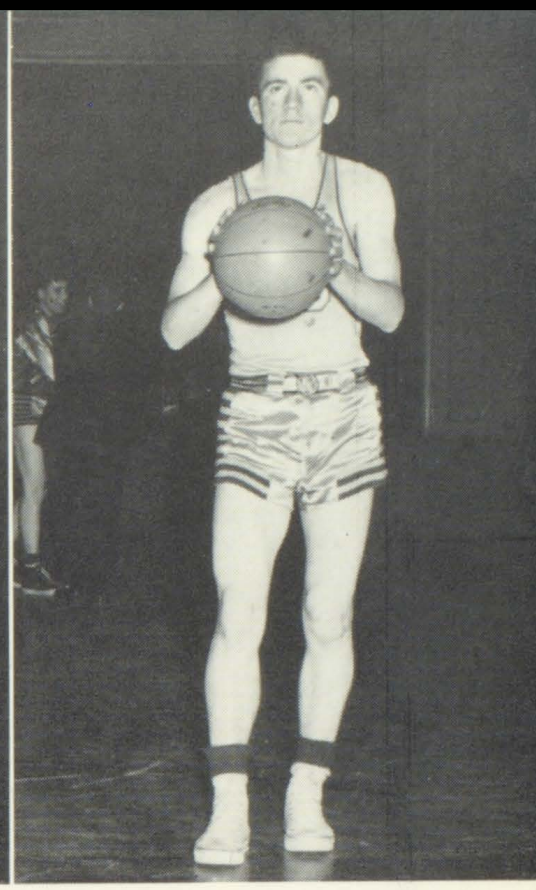




W. Lanter



L. Kosar

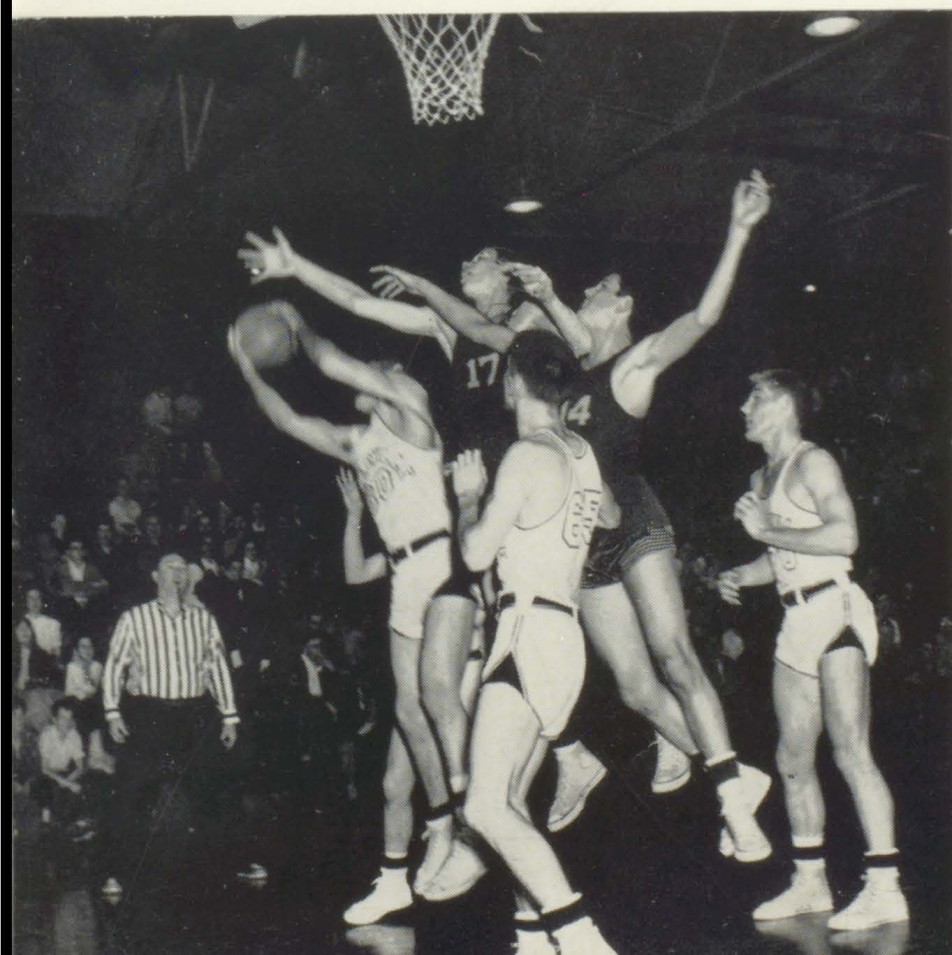


J. Schmidt

we strove to gain the victory

Junior John Schmidt put in a bustling brand of basketball in the other forward post. Wayne Lanter, a sophomore, was the team's pivot man and took care of the rebounds.

Jim Gedda, Wayne Pflugmacher, Wally Amann, Bob Mulligan, Tom Holthaus, Chuck Prindable, Norm Allen, and Don Bartling filled the remaining spots on the team.



The Crusaders dropped their City Championship encounter to the Belleville Maroons as the winners made good use of their height in controlling the backboards.

Varsity Prospects

The young 'B' basketballers showed good promise of great Cathedral teams in future years as they completed an impressive season of nine wins and eleven defeats. Many of the losses were one, two, and three point decisions. Bro. Norbert Grass coached the squad for the fourth straight year, and turned in a splendid job.

The team consisted of six sophomores and nine freshmen. The starting lineup placed Wally Amann at center, Sam Bateman and Dave Lawless at guard, and Bob Sprinz paired with Art Mahlman at the forward posts. Gary Lanter filled the No. 6 position. Bob Sprinz was chosen team captain.

Wally Amann tossed in a total of 126 points and Sam Bateman was close behind with 120 markers. Sprinz and Mahlman aided the cause

with about 100 points a piece.

The young cagers played one of their finest contests in the final game of the season when they bowed to a strong Dupo five, 54-45, in a fast-action battle. The Tigers had overwhelmed them in an early season duel. The Crusaders built up an eleven point lead at the half, but dropped behind after a cold third quarter.

The 'B' team finished in fourth place in the Catholic League. They compiled a record of four triumphs and eight setbacks. They toppled Chaminade twice, and St. Francis and St. Peter's once each.

The highlight of the season was the City Championship tilt with Belleville Township. The junior Crusaders emerged victorious by a 27-26 margin.



Crusaders of the Diamond

he majored in baseball. In the outfield were Gedda, Lanter, Muckensturm, with Siekmann and Sutton assisting when not pitching. The infield was composed of Wellinghoff, Huber, Reno, Meder, Walters, McAteer and Pflugmacher.

The team had a fourteen game schedule plus off and in the district tourney. The home games were played at the recently purchased Athletic Field. For the first time night games were played by the Crusaders.

Although the team was composed mainly of juniors, they fared better than was expected. The team showed that they wanted to win. They fought with their hearts as well as with their bodies.

Once again the call for baseball players was sounded. The Cathedral students answered with thirty-six eager boys. Of the thirty-six, fifteen were chosen to form the varsity squad. There are seven returning major lettermen — Ballard, Oelrich, Siekmann, Meder, Gedda, Schmidt, and Sutton. Brother Norbert Grass took over the coaching job as in the past years. Abe Ballard was chosen captain by the team members.

The pitching staff consisted of Chuck Oelrich, Abie Ballard, Bill Siekmann, and Gene Sutton. Jack Walters, Tom Budde, and Warren Muckensturm, were the relief hurlers. John Schmidt did the receiving. Jim Wellinghoff proved to be a fine utility infielder. Jim came to Cathedral from St. Henry's College, where



Our Cathedral bowlers

The senior bowling five kept up its winning ways, as it won the Cathedral High School Bowling League Championship for the second year in a row. Compiling a terrific won-lost record of forty-five victories and eighteen setbacks, the seniors ran away from the second place mixed quintette and its thirty-four wins and twenty-nine defeats mark.

Third place honors went to the junior aggregation with its thirty wins and thirty-three reverses record. Situated in the basement was the sophomore team, which won seventeen contests while dropping forty-six.

Senior Bob Korte toppled the tenpins on November 26, for games of 225, 187, and 200 for a big 612 total and individual high series. Chuck Oelrich was right behind him with a 606 total, and Cliff Laquet's 476 score was third.

High individual game was a 238 single rolled by Chuck Oelrich. Nick Forness was close behind with 237 and Pete Rust followed with a 235 count.

Nick Forness's 166 average and Bob Korte's 163 paced the seniors to their title, while Chuck



set an enviable record

Oelrich aided the mixed team cause with a respectable 171 average.

Members of the teams and their averages are: SENIORS: Abie Ballard, 133, Bill Schneider, 136; Bill Weier, 147; Bob Korte, 163; and Nick Forness (Capt.), 166.

MIXED: Dick Arnold, 142; Rich Forness, 124; Vic Determan, 126; Pete Rust (Capt.), 133; and Chuck Oelrich, 171.

JUNIORS: Norm Meder, 115; Cliff Laquet, 141; Chuck Prindable, 119; Paul Meister, 124; and Bob Sax (Capt.), 122.

SOPHOMORES: Bob Jaeckel, 121; Henry Haas, 105; Jack Miotke, 115; Fred Hoeffken, 115; and Warren Muckensturm (Capt.), 122.

Bob Korte had another big night on December 16, when the league participated in the News-Democrat-sponsored Christmas singles tournament. He got off to a slow start with a 144 game, but then came back with splendid 233 and 235 scores and scratch series of 612. This, coupled with 39 pins handicap, gave him a 651 total, and sixth place in the AJBC national singles tournament.



Smash 'em! Bust 'em!

One! Two! Three! Blue Gold! FIGHT! FIGHT! FIGHT! This cheer and many others could be heard in the stadium and on the court. The crowds cheering the teams on to victories were led by Captain Roger Von Bokel, Jim Blome, Jim Battaglia, and the N. D. girls: Mary Ann Lugge, Janet Loesche, and Bobbie McClane.

Roger Von Bokel, who cheered for the teams during his four years at CHS, was the big noise of the squad. He helped the six keep in time and rhythm, calling the cheers and keeping real spirit in the gang, even in the most discouraging stages of the games.

Blome and Battaglia finished their second year of cheering on the squad also adding sparks of merriment, while the girls Mary Ann, Janet and Bobbie gave it the touch of glamour and sophistication, topped off by their genuine personalities.

We of Cathedral in due appreciation have only this to say: "We wish you could be with us again next year."

Jim Blome, Mary Ann Lugge,
Roger Van Bokel, Bobbie McClane,
Jim Battaglia, Janet Loesche.







Men of the fairways

The CHS golfers took up their clubs to start the fifth year of this skillfull sport at Cathedral. As in past years the call for golfers was answered. Eight eager students responded to the appeal. Of the eight candidates, three were returning lettermen — Larry Kosar, Norman Allen, and Dwight Kirkland. Kosar was chosen captain of the squad.

For a coach the team had no worries as Clete Idoux took the helm as in past years. Clete takes personal interest in each of his boys. It is no wonder that he is highly regarded by all the members of the team as well as by all his associates. He is a professional golfer and has entered many highly rated tournaments. Besides golf he has taken a great interest in salesman-

ship. He sells insurance, and is doing very well as he does in anything he undertakes. We are indeed proud to say that Clete graduated from our school in 1943.

Larry Kosar, the number one man on the team, has three years of high school golf behind him. At the district tournament held at Centralia last year, Kosar tied for fourth place in the individual scoring honors. Norm Allen, a fast-learning boy, went into this year's matches with two years of experience. Dwight Kirkland, the third returning letterman, had one year of experience.

This year the team found a new location for their practices and matches, St. Clair Country Club.

President

When, two years ago, Monsignor Raymond L. Harbaugh succeeded Bishop Joseph M. Mueller, now Bishop of Sioux City, Iowa, as president of Cathedral High, we knew we had been entrusted to the care of a leader who would be long remembered.

As we look back over these years we find that what we believed has become a reality. Through untiring efforts, he has made possible the school improvements we have so thoroughly enjoyed. The purchase of the Belleville Athletic Field, under his direction, was but one of the many actions taken. He has encouraged sports and truly Christian social activities in the school. Monsignor's friendliness with us as individuals and his interest in our activities have found a spot among our never-to-be-forgotten memories.



Principal

Brother Gerard Busch, who has finished his second year at Cathedral, is this year celebrating his silver jubilee—twenty-five years of service to God through education. The faculty, the Crusader staff and the students extend felicitations to Brother Gerard on his twenty-fifth year of successful work. We are indeed fortunate that two of these years have been spent at Cathedral.

Though his duty as principal is sufficient for any man, he has several classes which consume still more time. He has the school participate in as many community activities as possible, and joins in them himself. Brother Gerard sees that the school schedule is running smoothly and works untiringly for the students. In the brief time he has been here he has quickly won our hearts with his understanding and good humor.





BRO. ALPHONSE SCHERER, S.M.

Religion II-B
 Physics
 Physical Education
 Mechanical Drawing I, II



BRO. FRANCIS HEIDEMANN, S.M.

Religion I-B
 German I, II
 Typing
 Bookkeeping
 Economics



BRO. NORBERT KRAMER, S.M.

Religion I-A
 Chemistry
 Algebra I, II
 Biology



BRO. MICHAEL BRANGAN, S.M.

Religion IV
 World History
 Sociology

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REV. LOUIS TRAWALTER, S.M.

Religion III-A
American History
Survey Math
Plane Geometry
English IV



REV. URBAN KUHL

Religion I



REV. PETER PIMESKERN

Religion II

Faculty *C.H.S.*

BRO. FRANCIS HAUG, S.M.

Religion II-A
English II, III
Spanish II



BRO. NORBERT GRASS, S.M.

Religion III-B
Latin I
Civics
Global Geography



MR. BERNARD L. MILLER, K.S.G.

Plane Geometry
Band





Vice President Frank Geolat
 Secretary Walter Brauer Treasurer William Weier
 President John Higginson

We came, we saw, we did it!

Some fifty strong we entered our freshman year of high school, and organized into one homeroom with Brother Martin McMurtrey as moderator.

Twenty-three eager freshmen answered Brother Grass's call for freshman football candidates, and three played on the frosh-soph basketball team. Larry Kosar won the first major letter as a member of the golf crew.

Now being sophomores and feeling we knew high school ways a little better, we began our second year, once again guided by Bro. Martin.

Frank Geolat won a major grid letter while eleven other sophomores displayed their football talents. Other second year lads directed their attentions towards basketball, baseball, golf, the school paper, the band, elocution, debate, and the glee club.

With two down and two to go, forty juniors stepped into the upperclassmen ranks with Father Louis Trawalter as class supervisor.

In the field of sports, six juniors, John Walthes, Larry Kosar, Jerry Hemmer, Frank Geolat, Chuck Oelrich, and Rich Gundlach won major football letters. Abie Ballard and Chuck Oelrich earned their "C" in baseball, and Jerry Hemmer, Kosar, and Oelrich lettered in basketball.

Forty-three seniors entered their final year determined to make it the best of all. Brother Michael Brangan guided the class to a new high in spiritual and student activities. Twelve seniors placed on the honor roll, eleven won major grid awards, two performed on the cage squad, and three answered the call "play ball." Many others served in the band, school paper, annual staff, and the numerous other activities.

Senior Class

GORDON J. ABEGG
"Gordie"

CATHEDRAL PARISH

Football 1

Perfect Attendance 1-2-3-4



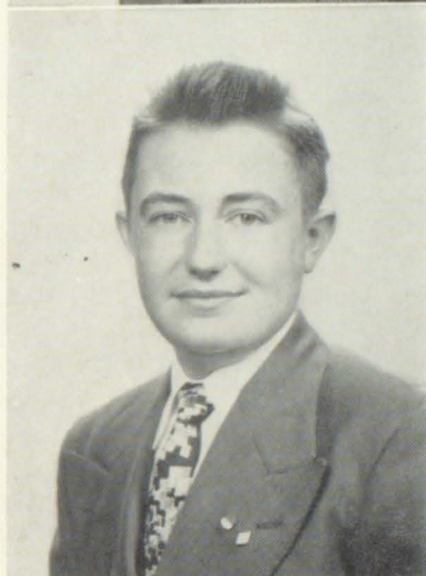
JAMES F. AMANN
"Jim"

CATHEDRAL PARISH

Class Officer 1-2-3
Football 1

Perfect Attendance 1-2-3-4
Prom Committee

Honor Roll 1-3-4



HERMAN N. BALLARD
"Abie"

ST. LUKE'S PARISH

Letterman's Club 3-4
Football 1-2-3

Baseball 3-4
Captain 4

Bowling 2-3-4



JAMES J. BATTAGLIA
"Jim"

ST. LUKE'S PARISH

Prom Committee
Cheerleader 3-4
Letterman's Club 3-4
Glee Club 2-3
Centennial Chorus 4
Server 1-2-3-4
Sodality Officer 2

Honor Roll 1-4
Central Committee
Paper Staff 1-2-4
Feature Editor 4
Annual Staff 4
Honor Service 4
Choir 3

Honor Guard 4





Senior Class

DONALD P. BEDEL
"Don"

ST. LUKE'S PARISH

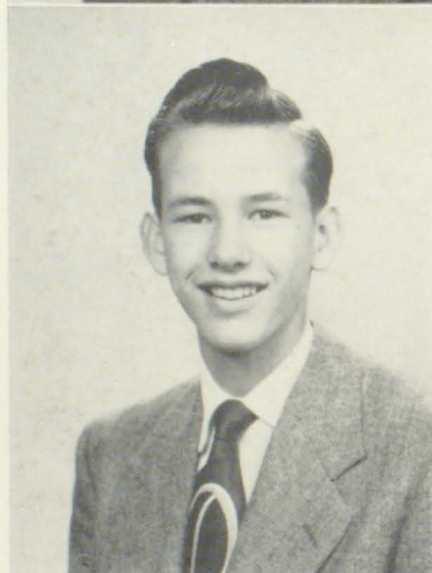
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Glee Club 2-3-4	Paper Staff 3-4
Centennial Chorus 4	Choir 4
Server 1-2-3-4	Honor Guard 4



GEORGE F. BERGMANN
"George"

ST. MARY'S PARISH

Server 1-2-3-4	Librarian 1-2-3-4
Paper Staff 4	Choir 4
Honor Service 4	Honor Guard 4



PAUL R. BIEKERT
"Paul"

CATHEDRAL PARISH

Football 1	Perfect Attendance 1-2
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JAMES C. BLOME
"Jim"

CATHEDRAL PARISH

Cheerleader 3-4	Paper Staff 2-3-4
Centennial Band 4	Managing Editor 4
Band 1-2-3-4	Annual Staff 4
Server 1-2	Librarian 4
Glee Club 2-3	Choir 3-4
Letterman's Club 2-3-4	Journalism 3
Honor Roll 4	Honor Guard 4
Camera Club 1	Prom Committee
	Talent Show 4

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WALTER C. BRAUER
"Zoot"

ST. HENRY'S PARISH

BTHS 1-2	Golf 3
Centennial Chorus 4	Annual Staff 4
Glee Club 4	Choir 3-4
Class Officer 3	Honor Guard 4
Senior Class Secretary	Prom Committee
Talent Show 4	

JOSEPH W. DAHM
"Joe"

ST. LUKE'S PARISH

VICTOR L. DETERMAN
"Vic"

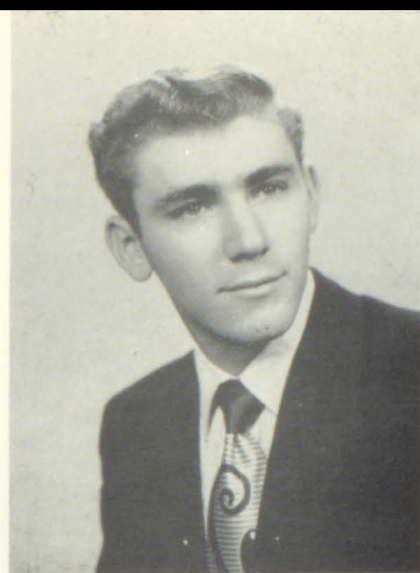
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Server 1-2	Bowling 4
	Athletic Manager 1

J. DAVID EMGE
"Dave"

ST. MARY'S PARISH

Talent Show 4	Sodality Officer 4
Debate 1-2	





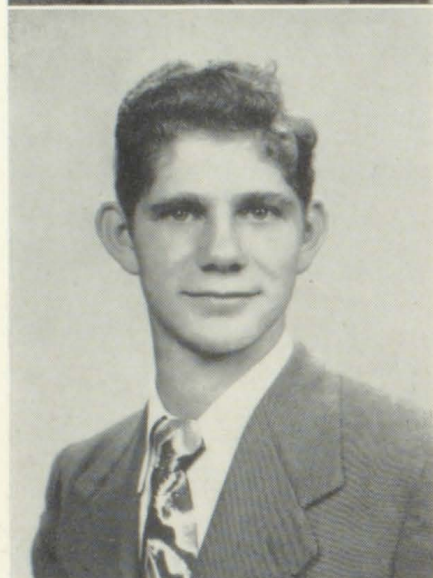
Senior Class

LEONARD P. FEDER

"Len"

ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH

Freeburg Community High	Camera Club 3-4
School 1-2	Honor Guard 4
Perfect Attendance 3-4	Annual Staff 4



PAUL C. FIEDLER

"Paul"

ST. MARY'S PARISH

Parish Representative 4	Paper Staff 4
Camera Club 1-2	Honor Service 4
Letterman's Club 4	Choir 4
Football 3-4	Talent Show 4

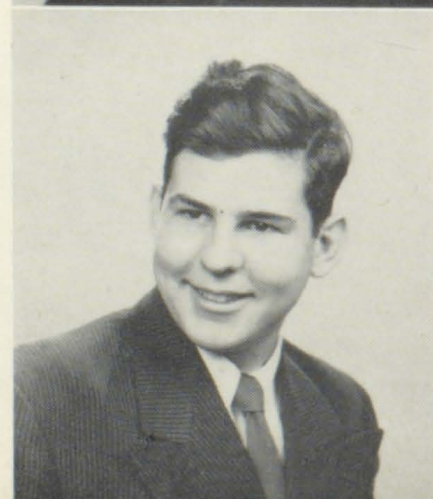


RALPH C. FLESHREN

"Ralph"

ST. TERESA'S PARISH

Parish Representative 4	Paper Staff 4
Football 1	Honor Service 4
Camera Club 1-2	Perfect Attendance 4
Cheerleader 1-2	Choir 3-4
Letterman's Club 2-3-4	Honor Guard 4



NICHOLAS J. FORNESS

"Nick"

ST. LUKE'S PARISH

Choir 4	Athletic Manager 1
Bowling 2-3-4	Honor Roll 1-2-3-4

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PATRICK W. GAUL
"Pierre"

CATHEDRAL PARISH

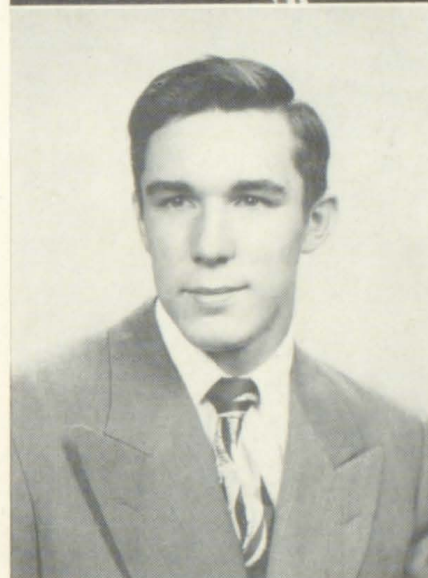
Camera Club 1	Prom Committee
Glee Club 1	Perfect Attendance 2-3-4
Football 1-2-3-4	Art Club 1
Letterman's Club 4	Centennial Chorus 4
Annual Staff 4	Honor Guard 4
Paper Staff 3-4	Talent Show 4



FRANK J. GEOLAT
"Frank"

CATHEDRAL PARISH

Letterman's Club 2-3-4	Basketball 2-3
Class Officer 1-2	Baseball 3
Senior Class Vice President	Honor Service 3
Football 1-2-3-4	Choir 3-4
All-Star Team 4	Prom Committee
	Talent Show 4



GERARD A. GEPPERT
"Gep"

BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

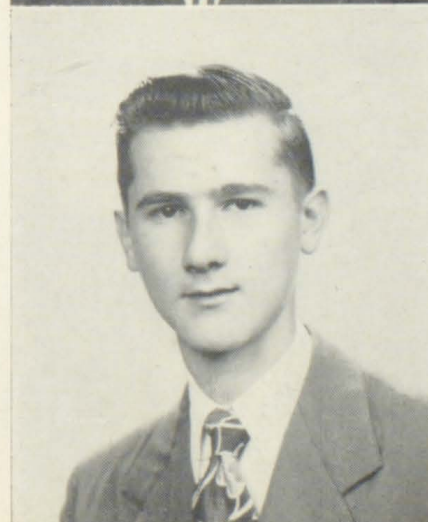
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Art Club 1	Honor Service 3
Server 1	Perfect Attendance 2-4
Central Committee	Choir 3-4
Honor Roll 1-2-3-4	Elocution 1
Paper Staff 1-2-3-4	Journalism 3
Annual Staff 4	Prom Committee
Editor	Honor Guard 4



CHARLES A. GRANT
"Charlie"

CATHEDRAL PARISH

Perfect Attendance 3-4	Parish Representative 3-4
Annual Staff 4	Choir 4
Honor Roll 1-2-3-4	Talent Show 4





Senior Class

RICHARD P. GUNDLACH
"Dick"

ST. HENRY'S PARISH

Football 1-2-3-4	Paper Staff 1-2-3-4
Co-Captain 4	Sports Editor 2-3
All-Star Team 4	Annual Staff 4
Basketball 1	Sports Editor
Elocution 1-2	Server 1-2
Letterman's Club 2-3-4	Honor Roll 1-2-3-4
President 4	Librarian 1-2-3-4
Choir 3-4	Journalism 3
Central Committee	Honor Guard 4
Prom Committee	Talent Show 4
Honor Service 2	Parish Representative 3-4



JEROME O. HEMMER
"Jerry"

CATHEDRAL PARISH

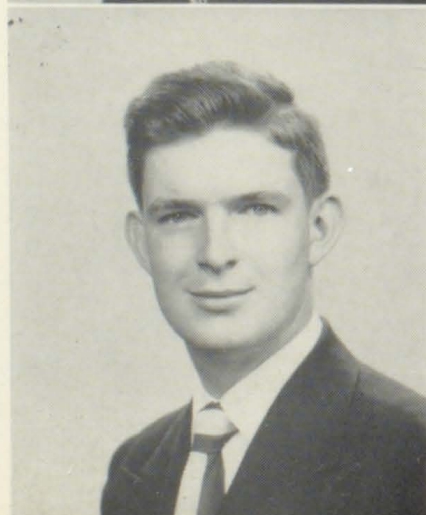
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Letterman's Club 3-4	Annual Staff 4
Glee Club 2-3	Honor Service 3
Server 1-2	Choir 3-4
Football 1-2-3-4	Journalism 3
Basketball 1-2-3	Talent Show 4



JOHN G. HEUMANN
"John"

ST. MARY'S PARISH

Letterman's Club 2-3-4	Athletic Manager 2-3
Centennial Chorus 4	Football 1
Server 1-2-3-4	Annual Staff 4
Honor Roll 1-2-3-4	Choir 4
	Honor Guard 4



JOHN J. HIGGINSON
"Sig"

BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

Band 1-2-3-4	Football 1-2
Letterman's Club 2-3-4	Paper Staff 1-2-3-4
Centennial Band 4	Annual Staff 4
Server 1	Librarian 4
Senior Class President	Choir 3-4
Sodality Officer 2-3	Elocution 1-2
Central Committee	Prom Committee
Honor Roll 1-2-3-4	Talent Show 4

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JAMES M. KARIBO
"Jim"

BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

Art Club 1	Annual Staff 4
Centennial Chorus 4	Parish Representative 4
Football 1	Choir 3-4
	Honor Guard 4



DWIGHT A. KIRKLAND
"Kirk"

ST. MARY'S PARISH

Camera Club 1	Paper Staff 3-4
Glee Club 3	Annual Staff 4
Centennial Chorus 4	Librarian 2
Golf 3-4	Choir 4
	Honor Guard 4



ROBERT B. KORTE
"Bob"

CATHEDRAL PARISH

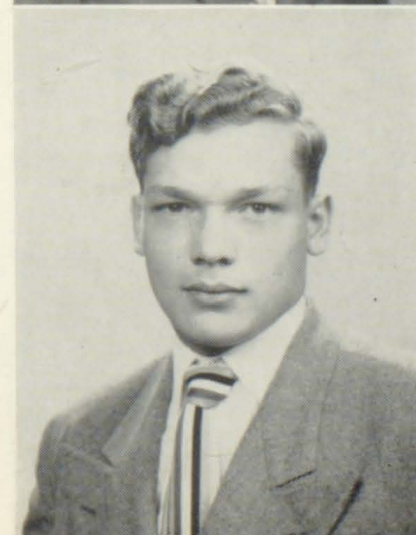
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	Honor Roll 1-3-4



LAWRENCE E. KOSAR
"Larry"

BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

Letterman's Club 1-2-3-4	Honor Roll 1-2-3-4
Centennial Band 4	Golf 1-2-3-4
Band 1-2-3-4	Captain 4
Class Officer 2-3	Annual Staff 4
Sodality Prefect 4	Social Editor
Central Committee	Honor Service 3
Football 1-2-3-4	Librarian 2-3-4
Co-Captain 4	Perfect Attendance 3-4
All-Star Team 4	Choir 3-4
Basketball 1-2-3-4	Honor Guard 4
Co-Captain 4	Prom Committee
	Talent Show 4





Senior Class

ANTHONY F. KREHER

"Tony"

ST. JOHN'S PARISH

Server 1
Honor Roll 1-2-3-4
Annual Staff 4

Honor Service 4
Librarian 4
Perfect Attendance 1-2-3-4



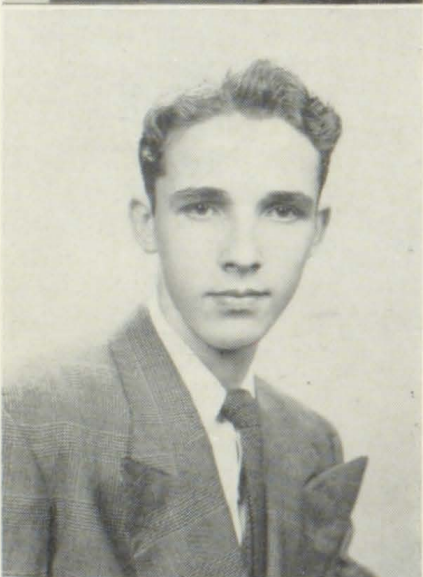
THOMAS D. MANK

"Tom"

CATHEDRAL PARISH

Glee Club 1-2-3
Centennial Chorus 4
Honor Roll 1-2
Football 1
Paper Staff 1-2-3-4

Annual Staff 4
Perfect Attendance 1-2-3
Choir 3-4
Honor Guard 4
Talent Show 4



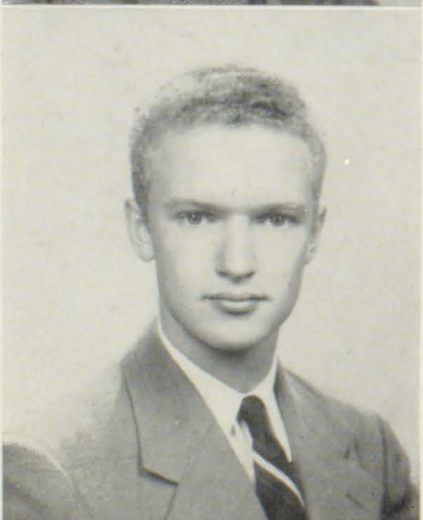
PAUL J. MERTENS

"Paul"

CATHEDRAL PARISH

Band 1-2-3-4
Glee Club 1

Letterman's Club 2-3-4
Centennial Band 4
Honor Roll 1-2-4



WILLIAM J. MOERCHEN

"Bill"

ST. TERESA'S PARISH

Glee Club 3-4
Centennial Chorus 4
Camera Club 1-2-3
Athletic Manager 1
Football 3
Bowling 3

Paper Staff 2-3-4
Annual Staff 4
Business Manager
Letterman's Club 4
Honor Service 4
Choir 3-4
Prom Committee

of 1950

AARON W. NEHRING
"Aaron"

ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH

Freeburg Community High
School 1



CHARLES C. OELRICH
"Chuck"

ST. LUKE'S PARISH

Football 1-2-3-4	Bowling 3-4
Basketball 1-2-3-4	Paper Staff 1-2-3-4
Letterman's Club 2-3-4	Sports Editor 4
Glee Club 3	Annual Staff 4
Elocution 1-2	Honor Service 2
Debate 2	Perfect Attendance 1
Class Officer 1-2	Parish Representative 4
Sodality Officer 1-2	Choir 3-4
Central Committee	Messenger Reporter 3-4
Honor Roll 1-2-3-4	Journalism 3
	Honor Guard 3



WILLIAM J. SCHNEIDER
"Bill"

CATHEDRAL PARISH

Bowling 3-4	Athletic Manager 1
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JOHN J. SORKACH
"John"

CATHEDRAL PARISH

Server 1-2-3	Perfect Attendance 1
	Honor Guard 4





Senior Class

KENNETH I. THOUVENOT

"Toots"

ST. TERESA'S PARISH

Class Officer 2

Camera Club 2



ROGER VON BOKEL

"Rodge"

ST. TERESA'S PARISH

Cheerleader 1-2-3-4

Band 1-2-3-4

Camera Club 1-2

Letterman's Club 1-2-3-4

Centennial Band 4

Server 1-2

Bowling 2-3

Paper Staff 2-3-4

Honor Service 2

Librarian 3

Perfect Attendance 2

Choir 3-4

Journalism 3

Prom Committee

Talent Show 4

Glee Club 2-3



JOHN I. WALTHES

"John"

ST. LUKE'S PARISH

BTHS 1-2

Football 3-4

Class Officer 3

Letterman's Club 4

Art Club 3-4

Camera Club 3

Scholastic Art Contest 3



WILLIAM B. WEIER

"Bill"

CATHEDRAL PARISH

Bowling 2-3-4

Football 1-2

Band 1-2-3-4

Centennial Band 4

Paper Staff 2

Annual Staff 4

Honor Service 4

Senior Class Treasurer

Choir 4

Elocution 1

Honor Guard 4

Prom Committee

Letterman's Club 1-2-3-4

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JAMES J. WELLINGHOFF
"Jim"

ST. HENRY'S PARISH

St. Henry's Seminary 1-2-3 Centennial Band 4
Band 4 Server 4
Baseball 4 Choir 4
Honor Guard 4

ROBERT L. WEST
"Bob"

ST. LUKE'S PARISH

Niles THS 1-2-3 Honor Roll 4
Honor Guard 4

JOSEPH E. WULLER
"Joe"

CATHEDRAL PARISH

Centennial Chorus 4	Honor Service 4
Glee Club 2-3-4	Choir 4
Sodality Officer 3	Journalism 3
Central Committee	Honor Guard 4
Paper Staff 3-4	Prom Committee
Editor 4	Honor Roll 1-2-3-4
Annual Staff 4	Letterman's Club 4



We, the Class of '50, do hereby agree to meet again June 2, 1955, five years from the day of our graduation. It shall be the duty of the officers to notify the members as to the time and place of the class reunion.



N. Allen	D. Bartling	W. Biekert
R. Blaes	Ed. Burns	R. Clark
J. Clemmons	D. Fleshren	R. Forness
P. Friederich	R. Gansmann	H. Himstedt
H. Hollerbach	T. Holthaus	J. Hubbard

Junior A

Father Louis Trawalter, S.M., moderator of Junior A, has directed his class in making a fine name for itself throughout the school. Ably assisting Father Trawalter were his class officers: Norman Meder, president; Wayne Mertens, vice-president; Sam Kocurek, secretary; Wayne Knapp, treasurer. With these skillful leaders the class ranked high both scholastically and athletically.

The class sodality offices were filled by Prefect Tom Holthaus, Mission Chairman Wayne Mertens, Eucharistic Chairman Jack Clemmons, Marianist Chairman Pat Yoxall, and Catholic Action Chairman Bill Thebus.

Scholastically Junior A had Don Bartling, Tom Holthaus, Wayne Mertens, Bill Thebus, and Pat Yoxall attaining high positions on the Honor Roll.

Paul Friederich, Roger Gansmann, and Wayne Pflumacher upheld III-A musically, taking an active part in the Cathedral high school band and also in the Society of Mary centennial celebration at Kiel Auditorium.

In the vocal department Rich Forness, Ed Burns, Norm Meder, Charlie Nowotny, Bill Thebus, Jack Clemmons, Don Bartling, and Paul Meister also participated in the centennial celebration by singing, with groups from other schools in this area, several spirited selections, most of them in three voices.

Journalistic talent came to the surface as Norm Meder, Tom Holthaus, Bill Thebus, and Pat Yoxall regularly turned in their articles for the school paper, *The Crusader*. Paul Meister and Paul Friederich could be seen busily

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snapping their cameras to obtain pictures for the publication.

Besides the duties required by their positions on the staff of *The Crusader*, Bill Thebus and Pat Yoxall also submitted essays in a contest sponsored by the Society of Mary in observance of their centennial.

Representing Cathedral at the annual convention of the Illinois State High School Press Association, of which the *Crusader* was retiring president, were Paul Meister, Bill Thebus, and Pat Yoxall.

Donning their cleats, Norm Allen, Bill Biekert, Don Huber, Wayne Knapp, Wayne Mertens, Sam Kocurek, and Pat Yoxall daily could be seen after school, heading for the practice gridiron. Biekert, Knapp, and Mertens were among the members of the team who earned major letters.

Charles Prindable, Tom Holthaus, Don Bartling, Bob Mulligan and Norm Allen represented Class III-A during the basketball season. Allen later on won a coveted major letter by serving on the golf team. Pete Rust, Charlie Prindable, Norm Meder, Rich Forness, and Paul Meister were among the students of Cathedral who participated in Bowling.

Finishing the athletics for the year, Don Huber, Wayne Pflugmacher, and Norm Meder gained positions on the varsity baseball team.

The true Cathedral spirit of Junior-A further asserted itself in the form of frequent daily communion, sufficient contributions to the missions and high rating in the various spirit drives.



D. Huber	W. Knapp	S. Kocurek
K. Krupp	N. Meder	P. Meister
W. Mertens	R. Mulligan	C. Nowotny
W. Pflugmacher	C. Prindable	P. Rust
J. Stock	W. Thebus	P. Yoxall



Junior B

Junior B, under the able direction of moderator Brother Norbert Grass, had an enviable record in its preparation for the senior year. Working with officers Ben Rice, president; Wally Drone, vice-president; John Schmidt, secretary; Jim Gedda, treasurer; the class ran a close second in the football drive and came third in the basketball drive and the drive for the Mother's Club Banner. The class sponsored a very successful cake sale through which money was raised for the treasury and missions.

Leading sodality discussions and spiritual affairs throughout the year were: Wally Drone, prefect; Jim Gedda, mission chairman; Bill Gaul, Marianist chairman; and Gene Sutton, Eucharistic chairman. These officers combined to set an enviable spiritual example for the rest of the school. Gedda and the two team captains, Sutton and Gaul, collaborated to give the class the highest mission total in the school.

Scholastically, the class did not lag as Dick Arnold, Al Bauer, Wally Drone, Dick Goldkamp, Dick Gundlach, Bob Helfrich, Fred Rensing, Ben Rice, and Bob Semmelroth attained coveted positions on the Honor Roll. Drone, Goldkamp, and Gene Sutton contributed time and talent toward the production of *The Crusader*. Drone, Goldkamp, Arnold, and Rice entered the Centennial Essay Contest with the latter gaining honorable mention for his effort.

Cliff Laquet and Henry Haas played in the band while Bob Arndt, Wally Drone, Dick Goldkamp, Jerry Huth, Fred Rensing, Ben Rice, Bill Thomas, and Leroy Weck sang either in

A. Abegg	R. Arndt	R. Arnold
A. Bauer	R. Blaes	W. Burgert
T. Classen	R. Dollus	W. Drone
W. Gaul	J. Gedda	R. Goldkamp
R. Gundlach	H. Haas	R. Helfrich

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the Centennial Concert or in the regular glee club.

In the football drive Fred Rensing helped the class attain second place by selling the highest total in the school. Bill Siekmann led the class in the basketball drive thereby helping the class to third place in the drive.

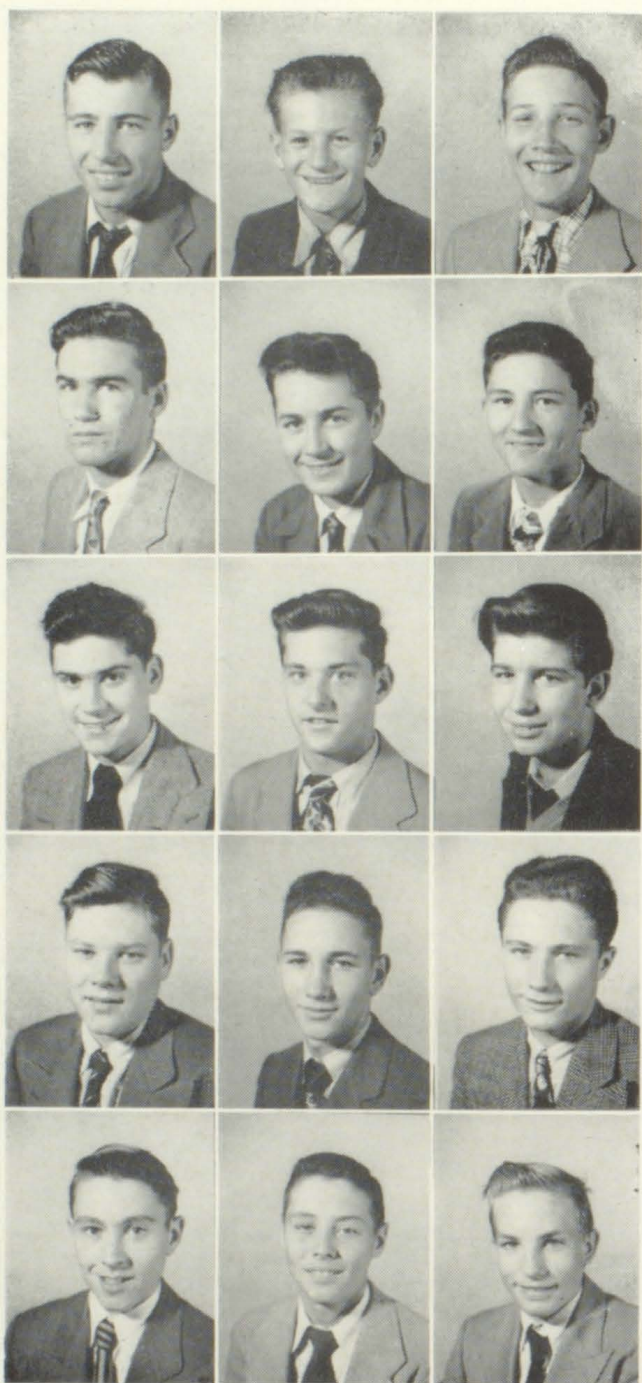
Athletic ability was high as Dick Gundlach, Jim Gedda, Bill Gaul, Gene Sutton, and Bill Siekmann gained major letters in football. Dick Dollus, Jack Pope, Cliff Laquet, Dick Arnold, and Ben Rice earned minor letters. Bill Gaul and Gene Sutton were elected football co-captains for the coming year. Jim Gedda, John Schmidt, and Bill Siekmann earned major letters in basketball with Siekmann gaining a position on the second Catholic League All-Star team. On the diamond, Gedda, Schmidt, Siekmann, and Gene Sutton earned baseball monograms.

Wally Drone, Ben Rice, Allen Abegg, Ron Pfeiffer, and Dick Gundlach took part in the annual Christmas talent show with Abegg particularly outstanding in his performance. Bob Sax, Cliff Laquet, Henry Haas, and Dick Arnold bowled every Saturday night in the Cathedral High School League. Near the end of the year Jim Gedda, Jerry Huth, Al Bauer, Bill Thomas, and Ben Rice took part in the annual B.C.Y.G. one act play contest. Gedda, Rensing, and Gaul were members of the B.C.Y.G.

All in all, III-B had a fine set of leaders which should help make the class of '51 one of the finest in the history of the school.



J. Huth	R. Kaegel	C. Laquet
M. Lucash	R. Pfeiffer	J. Pope
F. Rensing	B. Rice	R. Sax
J. Schmidt	C. Schmittling	R. Semmelroth
W. Siekmann	E. Sutton	W. Thomas
	L. Weck	C. Wilson



W. Amann	F. Blaes	T. Budde
C. Buss	J. Callahan	R. Dollus
T. Forness	J. Fournie	Ed. Havermann
J. Hillesheim	F. Hoeffken	W. Hubert
J. Igel	D. Junker	J. Kehrler

Sophomore A

Class II-A got off to a good start by copping the Spirit Banner. They lost it to the seniors but retained it at the end of the year. Other classes put up a good fight but II-A hung on tenaciously.

The class was under the able and encouraging guidance of Brother Haug, who was assistant football, varsity basketball, and freshman baseball coach. Assisting him in his duties as moderator of Sophomore A were President Walter Amann, Vice President and Sodality Prefect James Mason, Treasurer and Mission Chairman Bob Dollus, Secretary Tom Budde, Eucharistic Chairman Wilbert Hubert, Marian Chairman John McAteer, and Catholic Action Chairman John Fournie.

Keeping the class rolling with their intellectual progress were Charlie Buss, Wilbert Hubert, Raymond Laquet, James Igel, and Marty Maes. These students were listed on the Honor Roll.

Walter Amann, Tom Budde, Charlie Buss, Bob Dollus, John Fournie, Ed Havermann, Marty Maes, Art Mahlman, and Jim Monken were members of the varsity football team. Walter Amann and Ed Havermann received major letters and the others received minor letters. In basketball Walter Amann began the season with the "B" team and graduated to the varsity squad. Dave Lawless and Art Mahlman earned berths on the "B" team. Those active in baseball were Tom Budde, Art Mahlman, John McAteer, Roger Reno, and Jack Walters. Assisting the "B" team with their baseball talents were James Igel, C. May, and Jim Monken.

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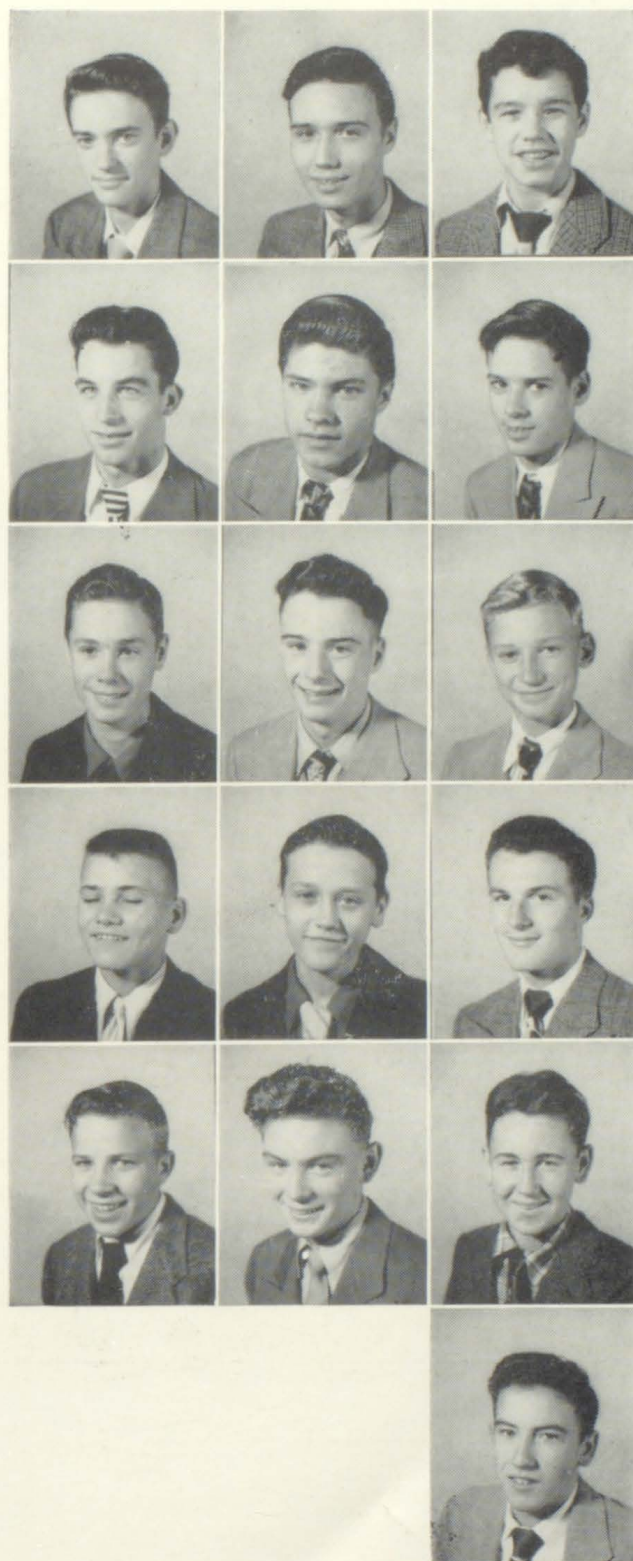
J. McAteer served as manager for the basketball team while D. Junker and S. Rensing were baseball managers. F. Hoeffken was the only member of II-A in the bowling league. D. Lawless, J. Mason, and D. Smith were news writers on the staff of *The Crusader*. W. Hubert served in the school library club.

Helping to make that sweet, tangy music produced by the Cathedral band were J. Fournie, W. Hubert, A. Mahlman, R. Moerchen, and J. Monken. J. Fournie, W. Hubert, R. Moerchen and J. Monken played in the Centennial Concert. J. Hillesheim sang in the Glee Club. Members of the Centennial Chorus were J. Callahan, C. May, D. Smith, and J. Walters.

Sophomore A obtained its mission quota. Friday was made the Class Communion Day. Class meeting was held every other Thursday. A novena to the Little Flower was made by the class. Raffles were used to arouse interest in the missions. F. Lange and J. Walters were captains of the mission teams.

For recreational purposes II-A had a Christmas party, visited Amann's farm, played basketball several evenings and finished the year in excellent style with a class party. The *Soph Spirit*, the class paper, was the only one of its kind published. M. Maes, chairman of the room committee, had F. Theis and J. Igel as his assistants. C. Buss was chairman of his bulletin board committee. R. Moerchen and D. Junker were his assistants.

In October Jim Callahan entered II-A and took an active part in class activities.



F. Lange	R. Laquet	D. Lawless
M. Maes	A. Mahlman	J. Mason
C. May	J. McAteer	R. Moerchen
J. Monken	S. Neff	R. Reno
S. Rensing	D. Smith	F. Theis
		J. Walters



T. Arey	J. Baechle	K. Bassler
S. Bateman	R. Becker	R. Berkel
M. Bretz	W. Fenoughty	P. Frick
A. Havel	A. Held	T. Herbert
T. Hilpert	J. Hoeffken	R. Jaeckel

Sophomore B

Sophomore class II-B, under the capable guidance of Brother Alphonse Scherer, lived up to expectations by actively participating in school drives and on the field of sports with the renowned 'Crusader' spirit.

The centennial concert ad drive came to a close with II-B putting on a last minute rally, thereby defeating its closest opponent by a single but important point. This concert, celebrating the hundredth anniversary of the Marianists in America, drew many talented singers from ranks of the class.

Turning to the class itself, four able men were elected to class offices. They were: Ronald Lauf, president; Robert Price, vice president; Tom Arey, secretary; Robert Sprinz, treasurer. Four equally competent men were elected to direct the important spiritual activities of the class. Wayne Lanter was selected as sodality prefect; Bruce Tillotson, mission chairman; Sam Bateman, Eucharistic chairman; Raymond Berkel, Marian chairman.

All its drive was not held to scholastic activities as many members of the class also participated in sports. The varsity baseball team was strengthened by sophomores Wayne Lanter, Robert Sprinz, and Warren Muckensturm. All three showed signs of strengthening the varsity this year and in years to come. Many candidates, too numerous to mention, went out for the freshman-sophomore baseball team. Wayne Lanter represented II-B on the basketball court by taking a permanent position at center on the varsity team while Sam Bateman and Robert

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Sprinz saw a great deal of action on the 'B' team. The class's only representatives on the gridiron were Tom Arey, Sam Bateman, and Ray Berkel. In the spring Bruce Tillotson took out his golf clubs and proved to be a very valuable member of the golf team.

The class had three members from II-B on the sophomore bowling team in the Cathedral High School League. These lively bowlers were: Robert Jaeckel, Warren Muckensturm, and Jack Miotke.

The glee club claimed many members of the class. Robert Becker, Matt Bretz, Tom Hilpert, Robert Jaeckel, Wayne Lanter, Robert Price, Robert Sprinz, Marcel Von Bokel, and James Wehrheim offered their vocal talent. These members also contributed their share to the Centennial Concert.

A coveted spot on the Honor Roll went to Robert Jaeckel, James Wehrheim, and Jack Miotke. These boys worked diligently to master their academic courses.

Great interest was taken in the field of journalism. Wayne Lanter, Bill Fenoughty, Jim Wehrheim, Tom Hilpert, and Ray Berkel obtained positions on the staff of *The Crusader*.

The class was active in the spiritual performance of its duties. Mass was devoutly attended and Holy Communion was received often. The retreat brought a growth of spiritual thought and activity to II-B. The year ended with a feeling of accomplishment in the religious, scholastic, and athletic fields.



W. Lanter	R. Lauf	Ed. Laux
J. May	J. Miotke	W. Muckensturm
R. Price	S. Schmittling	R. Sprinz
T. Thomas	R. Tillotson	J. Vander Pluym
M. Von Bokel	J. Wehrheim	B. Wilson



L. Appel	C. Beck	R. Blaes
T. Butz	J. Christ	J. Coulson
C. Determan	T. Forrest	C. Fuesser
R. Gannon	M. Harrison	L. Heidorn
A. Heuer	W. Hoernis	V. Hoffman

Freshman A

Our freshman year is ended. When we first entered the halls of C.H.S., confusion and fear were mingled with our excitement. We were embarrassed the first few weeks because everything seemed so strange to us. When we became accustomed to our surroundings, things went more smoothly.

Our class officers during the year were: Bill Miller, president; Jack Schulte, vice president; Victor Hoffman, secretary; Bill Novack, treasurer. The class representative to the sodality was Jack Schulte.

Many members of our class participated in various sports. From Freshman A, Bill Novack. Bill Miller, Tom Forrest, Joe Coulson, Joe Christ, Lester Appel, Len Heidorn, Mike Harrison, Dick Gannon, and Robert Wiltshire played freshman football. The captains of this team were Jack Schulte and Bill Hoernis. Those who participated in basketball were Bill Miller, Jack Schulte, Leonard Heidorn, and Cyril Determan. Our class was represented on the freshman-sophomore baseball team by Jack Schulte, Bill Miller, Bill Hoernis, Cyril Determan, Ralph Kassebaum, Joe Christ, Lester Appel, Dennis Simmons, Bob Thouvenot, and Sonny Heidorn.

This year marked the institution of a new club at Cathedral High. It was the freshman Science Club which was founded to increase the scientific knowledge of the younger men of our school. Under the direction of Brother Alphonse Scherer, talks were given and movies were shown to explain the fundamentals of science. The meetings of the club were held in the

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physics laboratory. Members of the Science Club from I-A were: Lester Appel, Dennis Simmons, Charles Beck, Victor Hoffman, Sonny Heidorn, Robert Luster, Charlie Fuesser, Dick Gannon, and Leonard Ketterer.

Jack Sax and Cyril Determan offered their services as athletic managers. Charles Beck was a big help in the photography department. Beck also joined the golf team.

Freshman A showed development in the scholastic field. It was difficult at first to adapt ourselves to high school studies but with perseverance and effort, we managed to learn the academic courses. Those most frequently on the Honor Roll were: Tom Forrest, Joe Coulson, Joe Christ, and Bill Novack.

Many students from I-A were from out of town. There were boys from Freeburg, Mascoutah, East St. Louis, Swansea, and Edgemont.

On the spiritual side the class took an active part at daily Mass and frequently received Holy Communion. Great devotion was displayed by freshman A during the retreat. Many freshmen were seen attending the noon rosary devotions.

We hope that in the next three years we will all remain together and cooperate with each other in meeting various responsibilities. We are looking forward to the day when we finish the last lap of our high school days.

We owe a debt of gratitude to our home room moderator, Brother Norbert Kramer, who helped us immensely in our first year in high school. We would also like to thank our principal, Brother Gerard Busch, and our various teachers.



R. Kassebaum	L. Ketterer	R. Luster
W. Miller	W. Novack	J. Sax
J. Schulte	D. Simmons	S. Sizemore
R. Thouvenot	L. Uhley	R. Weier
		R. Wiltshire



Freshman B

Freshman B is composed of 29 students. To guide these students, four capable men were elected to class offices. Joe Nebgen was elected president; Gary Lanter, vice president; Kenny Metze, secretary; Charlie Schobert, treasurer.

Athletic ability rated high as I-B placed 10 members on the freshman football team. The squad won 1, lost 4, and tied 3. One of the ties was with the B.T.H.S. freshmen. Brother Grass thinks that these men will make good prospects for the varsity in the future. Those who were on the squad from I-B were Joe Nebgen, Gary Lanter, Charlie Schobert, Bill Buss, Speedy Langford, Dick Hall, Jack Lippert, Paul Birk, John Bingheim, and Merilyn Bujnak.

The freshman-sophomore basketball team had 7 players from I-B. These cagers won 8 and lost 13. Plenty of fight and spirit was displayed on the court. Gary Lanter, Dick Hall, Jake Lippert, Paul Birk, Vin Koehr, Joe Orlet, and John Hund found positions on the squad.

At the talent show the freshmen of I-A and I-B staged a few football skits. These humorous skits caricatured the varsity players.

A fine record has been set by I-B in the performance of its class work. There are quite a few I-B students on the Honor Roll published when *The Crusader* comes out. R. Diekemper, L. Himstead, L. Leonard, K. Metze, T. Moll, T. Mueller, V. Wagner, J. Lippert, and T. Vander Pluym were listed on the Honor Roll.

At mid-term the freshman Science Club was

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J. Langford	G. Lanter	L. Leonard

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started by Brother Alphonse. The initial action of the club was the election of officers. Thomas Mueller was elected president; Joe Orlet, vice president; Jake Lippert, secretary; Kenneth Metze, treasurer. All of these officers are members of I-B. At each meeting talks were given concerning various scientific subjects. Fourteen students comprise this newly organized club.

Brother Francis Heidemann has worked hard in training his group of new Crusaders. His labors are displayed by the accomplishments of the class. These accomplishments can be noticed both in and outside of school. The lead in the Mother's Club Spirit Banner race has been held throughout the year. The interest of the mothers of I-B students is high. This displays a good spirit of cooperation between the parents and the school.

Interest in the school paper has been taken by Joseph Neff. He maintains a reporter position on *The Crusader* staff. Bob Schaffer shows his initiative in the classroom by selling theme paper to the students.

To finish off the year a class picnic has been planned in the last part of May. Fort Chartres was suggested for the location. The year proved to be one of fun and learning for the members of I-B.

Castle Farish of III-A and Bob Burns of I-B, pictured at the right, entered CHS in the second semester. They immediately took up the Crusader spirit and participated actively in school activities.



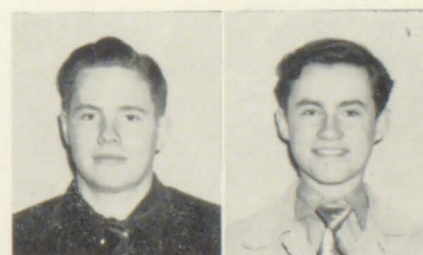
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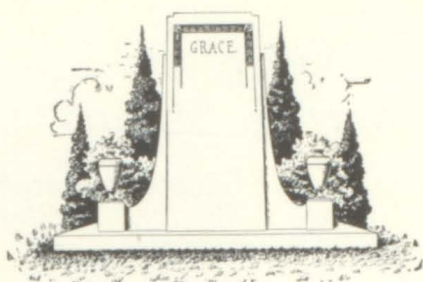
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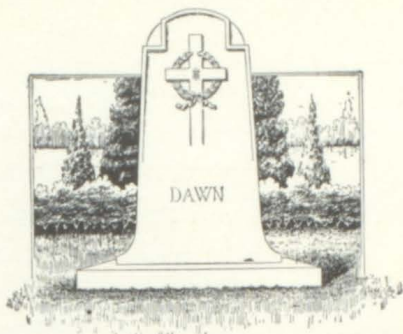
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